

Cletis Johnston

Cletis Johnston, 91, of Bartow, died at his home Wednesday, November 3, 1993.

He was the son of Solomon (Saul) Harvey Johnston and Daulie Mullenax Johnston, who preceded him in death.

Mr. Johnston was born at Cherry Grove, July 31, 1902, and is survived by his wife Ollie Kerlin Warner Johnston, whom he married October 27, 1938.

They were married 55 years and have two children, who survive: Buford Cadle Johnston, of Arbovale, and Mary Leta Rexrode, of Magdalena, New Mexico. Cletis has a daughter, Annalynn Heavener, of Cherry Grove. Also surviving are one sister, Virginia Mallow, of Mill Creek; brother, Merle R. Johnston, of Harrisonburg, Virginia; ten grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were three brothers, William, Otis, and Jesse Johnston; five sisters, Argie Johnston, Georgie Eye, Monna Bowling, Judith Bennett and Mildred Varney; one great-grandson, Brian Edward

Melvin Johnson

Melvin "Jackhammer" Johnson, 76, of Durbin, died September 4, 1992, in Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown, after a long illness.

The son of Winfred Lee and Daisy Bevins Johnson, he was born at Beckley October 23, 1915.

His wife, Celia Cromer Johnson, preceded him in death February 24, 1989.

He was a member of the Durbin Church of God, was retired from Western Maryland Railroad, and was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Surviving him are two daughters, Connie Johnson, of Durbin, and Jean Looney, of Pence Springs; two sons, Melvin Kenneth Johnson, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Michael Johnson, of Durbin; 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Chapel at Arbovale by Brother Alvin Craig. Burial was in Bethel Cemetery on Back Mountain.

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He had been a farmer, worked for the Forest Service, State Road and West Virginia Pulp and Paper Co. and had been disabled for the last several years. He was a member of the Kerr Chapel Church of the Brethren at Arbovale.

Funeral services were held Saturday, at 1 p.m. in the Durbin Church of the Brethren with the Rev. William Vandevender officiating. Interment followed in the Arbovale Cemetery.

James Okey Jackson

Sweet Springs — James Okey Jackson, 83, died September 20, 1993 at Alleghany Regional Hospital following a short illness.

Mr. Jackson was born November 23, 1909 at Lindsie, the son of the late Andrew and Mary Willis Jackson.

He was a retired carpenter.

Survivors include several cousins.

Graveside services were at Mt. View Cemetery, Sweet Springs, with Reverend Leroy Crane officiating.

Visitation was at Broyles-McGuire Funeral Home, Union.

Sherline Jones

Sherline G. Jones, 58, of Lancaster, Ohio, died Saturday, April 10, 1993, at Park Medical Center in Columbus.

She is survived by her husband, George D. Jones; son, David G. Jones, of Lancaster; daughter, Donna J. (Rick) Sterling of Ashville, Ohio; five grandchildren; four brothers, Albert F. and Robert L. Kelley, both of Marlinton, Charles R. Kelley, of Lancaster, and George Kelley of Knoxville, Tennessee; four sisters, Helen M. Snider of Fairmont, Emma Jane Hodges of Marlinton, Mary C. Salisbury, of Valley Head, and Dorothy G. Loudermilk, of Marlinton.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Howard T. and Sarah J. Kelley; four brothers, Clayborn, Howard J., Richard L. and Junior Paul Kelley.

Services were held 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the chapel of the Frank E. Smith Funeral Home, with Pastor Willie A. Booth officiating. Burial was at Floral Hills Memory Gardens.

Pamela Weaver June

Pamela Sue Weaver June, 42, died Wednesday, January 25, 1997, in Northwest Hospital, Tucson, Arizona, following an extended illness.

She was born in Barberton, Ohio, a daughter of John Delbert and Maxine Arthur Weaver, of Tucson.

She was a registered nurse and was on the staff at St. Mary's Hospital in Tucson until early 1996. She was a former resident of Arbovale and a graduate of Marshall University, Huntington.

Surviving in addition to her parents are her husband, John June; one daughter, Amanda Gail; one brother, Charles "Chuck" Weaver, all of Tucson; a sister, Carolyn, of Campbell, California.

Her body was cremated. A memorial service was held in Tucson by friends and family.

Fred Jacobs

Fred Jacobs, 49, of Parkersburg, died April 24, 1997 at Camden Clark Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Greensboro, North Carolina, the son of Edward L. Jacobs, of Ohio, and the late Carol Conrad Sterling.

He was a US Army veteran, having served in the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Roofers Local 242 and was an avid outdoorsman. He was a graduate of Green Bank High School with the class of 1965.

He is survived by his wife, Becky Mace Jacobs; one son Chris Monroe, of Vienna; one daughter, Traci Monroe, of Vienna; one grandson; his stepfather, Dick Sterling, of Vienna; and a half-brother Conrad Sterling, of Parkersburg.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Fred and Mable Conrad, with whom he made his home.

Funeral services were held at the Leavitt Funeral Home, in Parkersburg, with Reverend William Batten officiating. Burial was in the K of P Cemetery at Elizabeth.

Betty Ruth Crist, of Arbovale, is an aunt of Mr. Jacobs.

Mary Grimes Jackson

Mrs. Mary Grimes Jackson, 45, of Dunmore, died Sunday, November 22, 1992, at West Virginia University Hospital, Morgantown.

She was a Presbyterian.

The daughter of the late David H. and Dolly Burgess Grimes, she was born at Reader March 18, 1947.

Surviving her are her husband, Ernie Jackson; four children, Roger, Adam, Jason and Mark, all at home; a sister, Myrna Hooker, of Hot Springs, Virginia; and three brothers, Kay L. Grimes, David Lynn Grimes and Terry L. Grimes, all of Dunmore.

Services were held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Tuesday by the Rev. David Rittenhouse, with burial in the Dunmore Cemetery.

James L. Judy

James L. Judy, 63, of Spencer Circle, Geneva, Ohio, died Friday, November 6, 1992, at Memorial Hospital of Geneva.

Born July 14, 1929, in Cass, he was the son of James W. and Ella Mae Puffenbarger Judy.

Mr. Judy was an operating engineer for Horvitz Construction for 30 years. He had lived in Geneva since 1952.

He married Monna Belle Vandevander on July 14, 1947, in Arbovale.

Mr. Judy was a member of the Peoples Church of Geneva and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 18 of Cleveland.

Survivors include his wife; a son, David Judy, of Amherst, Ohio; three daughters, Sandra Stifter, of Dayton, Ohio, Lois Judy, of Ashtabula, Ohio, and Donna Lipscomb, of Golden, Colorado; five grandchildren; his mother, Ella Mae Sheets, of Green Bank; and a sister, Nancy Aponte, of Geneva.

He was preceded in death by his father and two brothers, Leo and Tommy.

Funeral services were held at 1 p. m. Tuesday, November 10, at the Peoples Church by the Rev. Richard Rose and the Rev. Robert Hinz. Burial was in Greenlawr Memory Gardens in North Kingsville, Ohio.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Peoples Church building fund.

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Ellis Lee Jordan

Ellis Lee Jordan, age 65, died Saturday, January 8, 1994, at his home at Woodrow after a long illness.

Mr. Jordan was a retired construction worker. He was a member of White's Chapel and of the Loyal Order of Moose.

Born at Woodrow March 5, 1928, he was the son of Frank and Mattie Galford Jordan.

His parents, twin daughters, Linda and Brenda Jordan, three brothers, Roy, Ray and Raymond Jordan, and a sister, Eula Jordan, preceded him in death.

Survivors include two sons, William (Billy) and Michael Jordan, and two daughters, Sharon Moore and Nancy Cook, all of Marlinton; two brothers, Harry Jordan and Jesse Jordan, both of Marlinton; one sister, Ruby Zarotney, of Berlin, Connecticut; two grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at 11 a.m. at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Sonny Painter, with burial in the Cochran Cemetery.

Eugene Jones

Eugene "Geno" Jones, 78, of Dunmore, died April 9, 1993, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Jones was retired from Uniroyal Company in Ohio. He was a Baptist and an Army veteran of World War II.

He was born July 25, 1914, at Bolivar, a son of George and Mary Bown Jones.

Surviving him are his wife, Martha Rein Jones; two daughters, Nancy King, of Elyria, Ohio, and Norma Spencer; two sons, James, of Grafton, Ohio, and Ronnie, of Birmingham, Ohio; adopted sons, Ernie Halterman, of Dunmore, Teddy Halterman, of Elkton, Maryland; two sisters, Ada Shubar, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and Sue Soville, of Quinton, Virginia; a brother, Gilbert, of Martinsburg; 14 grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home Chapel at Arbovale, by the Rev. David Grimes, with burial in the Dunmore Cemetery.

DEATHS

Stephen D. Jack

Stephen D. Jack, 44, of Marlinton, died Tuesday, November 16, 1993, in Roanoke Memorial Hospital following a long illness with cancer.

He was a welder, a graduate of Nashville Auto Diesel College, and a Methodist. He was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Marlinton Masonic Lodge, Beni Kedem Temple (Shriners), and NRA.

The son of Gilbert A. and Ellen J. Cutlip Jack, he was born April 15, 1949, at Marlinton.

Surviving, in addition to his parents of Marlinton, are a brother, Sidney A. Jack, of Glenville, and a sister, Barbara E. McLaughlin, of Roanoke, Virginia.

Memorial services will be held on Droop Mountain Sunday afternoon by the Rev. Karen Brown, with Masonic rites.

Memorial gifts may be made to Marlinton Masonic Lodge or Marlinton Moose Lodge.

Cecil Clawson Underwood

Cecil Clawson Underwood, 80, of Cummings Creek, died Tuesday, November 16, 1993, at Charleston Area Medical Center from complications following injuries received in a car accident.

Arrangements are incomplete as we go to press.

Floyd Temple Jones

Floyd Temple Jones, 86, of Richmond, Virginia, formerly of Seebert, died Wednesday, March 16, 1994, at home.

He was a member of Glen Allen Lodge #131 AF&AM, member of Telephone Pioneers, graduate of Bliss Electrical School in Washington, D.C., and member of Ginter Park United Methodist Church, Virginia.

Mr. Jones was a retired supervisor for AT&T.

He was born in Pocahontas County on July 2, 1907, the son of Macon B. and Sallie Hultz Jones.

Surviving him are his wife, Jane P. Jones; two sons, Stewart and Donald Jones; one step-son, James W. Jones, Jr.; two sisters, Mildred Slavin, of Hillsboro, and Nola Rose, of Marlinton; seven grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at 2 p.m. at Staples Mill Chapel of Bliley Funeral Home by the Rev. Dennis Likey with burial in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

DEATHS

Thomas L. Jones

Thomas L. Jones, 60, of Mill Creek, formerly of Marlinton, died Monday, April 12, 1993, at home after a long illness.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean Conflict.

Born July 3, 1932, at Denmar, he was the son of Albert and Argel Petts Jones.

His parents, a brother, Stanley, and a sister, Rita M. Copen, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are a daughter, Kim L. Jones; a sister, Loraine A. Beverage, of Buckeye; and two brothers, Bradley Jones and Verlon Jones, both of Pennsylvania.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at VanReenan Funeral Home by the Rev. Jack Burks, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Arthur J. Jackson

Arthur "Max" Leroy Jackson, age 48, of Richmond, Virginia, died Sunday, September 26, 1999, in McGuire VA Medical Center in Richmond. He had been in failing health for the past several years.

He was a graduate of Elkins High School with the class of 1969 and attended West Virginia University. He was employed at McGuire VA Medical Center and was a construction worker. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans in Richmond and was a veteran of the U. S. Army, having served two tours of duty during the Vietnam War.

Mr. Jackson was born November 15, 1950, a son of Ray Jackson, of Elkins, and the late Helen Lorraine Grimes Jackson.

On February 21, 1997, he married Constance Ann "Connie" DeMarco, who survives in Richmond.

Also surviving are four sisters, Cynthia Alexander, of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Denise Jackson, of Elkins, Valorie Pike, of High Point, North Carolina, and Deborah Corhan, of Flowery Branch, Georgia; five brothers, Raymond "Butch" Jackson, of New Martinsville, Timothy Jackson and Chris Jackson, both of Spartanburg, North Carolina, Geoff Jackson, of Elkins, and Sam Jackson, of Clarksburg.

He was a nephew of Margaret Cashwell and Gladys Tibbs, of Marlinton.

Services were held on October 1 at 1 p. m. in the F. E. Runner Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Ramona Woods. Burial followed in the Little Arlington Cemetery at Cravensdale.

William Emory Jackson
William Emory Jackson, 80, of Buckeye, died Friday, January 9, 1987, at his home.

He was a Methodist.

Surviving him are his wife, Elizabeth; sons, James Edward, of Fawn Grove, Pennsylvania, Clyde, with the U. S. Army in West Germany, David, of Stewartstown, Pennsylvania, and Richard Jackson, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; daughters, Mary Ella Grafton, of Stowe, Pennsylvania, Betty Miller, of Southington, Ohio, Nellie Bentley and Joyce Thomas, both of Airville, Pennsylvania, and Bonnie Black, of Columbus, Georgia; sisters, Gladys Rose, of Hillsboro, and Stella Cloonan, of Mill Point; 24 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a. m. Monday at VanReenan Funeral Home by the Rev. Kenny Stevenson, with burial in the Gibson Cemetery on Elk.

Wallace P. Kershner

Wallace P. Kershner, 75, of Tallahassee, Florida, died Thursday, September 4, 1997.

A native of Droop Mountain, he had lived in Tallahassee 40 years. He was retired from the Federal Department of Corrections. He was an Army veteran of World War II and a member of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the National Association of Retired Federal Employees. He was a Methodist.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Elizabeth Kesler Kershner, of Tallahassee; a daughter, Ann Harper, of Havana; three brothers, Roy Kershner, of Lewisburg, Clyde Kershner, of Hillsboro, and John Kershner, of Ashland, Kentucky; and a sister, Agnes Kershner Simmons, of Lewisburg.

Services were held at Culley's MeadowWood Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to Big Bend Hospice, the American Cancer Society or Calvary United Methodist Church.

Melva H. Kershner

Melva H. Kershner, 76, died July 14, 1993, at Marlinton after an extended illness.

Formerly of West Milton, Ohio, she had lived in Marlinton for the past two years.

A daughter of the late William T. and Nannie Hayes Hinegardner, Mrs. Kershner was born at Madoc October 26, 1916.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Rexford Hinegardner and Ray Hinegardner.

Surviving her are her husband of 50 years, Curtis M. Kershner; two sons, Curtis M. Kershner, of Frost, and Jeffrey L. Kershner, of Houston, Texas; one daughter, Brenda, of Yellow Springs, Ohio; one brother, Ralph Hinegardner, of Sedro-Wooley, Washington; three sisters, Mabel Bogusz, of Sedro-Wooley, Washington, Mildred Gabbert, of Olney, Maryland, and Marilyn Lancaster, of Lewisburg; and five grandchildren.

Graveside services and burial were at 2 p. m. Saturday at Greenbrier Memorial Gardens, Lewisburg, with the Rev. Weston Guthrie officiating.

Hallie B. Plymale

Hallie B. Plymale, 97, of Kenova, died July 14, 1993, in St. Mary's Hospital in Huntington after an extended illness.

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Daniel Withrow Kennison

Daniel Withrow Kennison, age 45, of Navarre, Florida, died Tuesday, September 23, 1997, at Baptist Hospital in Pensacola, Florida.

Daniel was born in Marlinton on April 22, 1952, the son of Stanley "Skip" and Betty Galford Kennison.

A carpenter by trade, he was a member of the Whitewater Muzzleloaders, wildlife photographer, and an ardent hunter and fisherman, with spirited tales of his ventures.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine; a son, Koby; his parents, of Niceville, Florida; a brother, Kenny Kennison, of Ponce de Leon, Florida; and a sister, Martha Hudson, of Fort Walton Beach, Florida.

Funeral services were held at 7 p. m. Friday at the Little Chapel Funeral Home, Fort Walton Beach, by Carl Young.

Anna M. Kinnison

Anna Marie Kinnison, age 78, of Victoria, Texas, died March 7, 1999.

She was born March 30, 1920, in Hillsboro, to the late Lake E. and Virginia S. Clutter Anderson. She was a homemaker and a member of Seventh Day Adventist Church, of Victoria.

She is survived by her husband, A. D. Kinnison; three daughters, Carol Johnson, of Granbury, Betty Dieckmeier, of Kempner, and Barbara Combs, of Cleburn, Texas; one son, Gerald Kinnison, of Victoria; one sister, Mrs. Lakie McMillion, of Hillsboro; and five grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, Dale Kinnison, and a sister, Deja Sayre.

Visitation and services were held at Colonial Funeral Home, with burial at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Victoria.

Obituaries

Robert Kellison

Robert Kellison, of Dover, Pennsylvania, died after a long illness, March 18, 1995.

He was a veteran of World War II. He was born at Jacox, March 7, 1917, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Kellison.

Surviving are his wife, Beryl Hill Kellison; a son, Barry Robert Kellison; sisters, Esther Opal Gaul and Olive Virginia Stifler, and a brother, Herbert Kellison, all of Maryland.

Funeral services were by Beaver Urch funeral home in Lewisberry, Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Gertrude May King

Mrs. Gertrude May King, 74, of Lewisburg, died Monday, December 26, 1988, in Greenbrier Valley Hospital after a long illness.

Born April 24, 1914, at Spice, she was a daughter of the late William A. and Georgia Agnes Underwood North.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lonnie King, two brothers and two sisters.

Surviving her are a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Scott, of Hillsboro; a son, Eugene King, of Hillsboro; two sisters, Sally Scott, of Droop, and Edith Coleman, of Frankford; two brothers, Russell North, of Rupert, Roy North, of Ronceverte; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. Wednesday in Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg by the Rev. Louie McCormick. Burial was in the Walkup Cemetery near Renick.

Sterl A. "Doc" Shrader

Sterl A. "Doc" Shrader, 88, of Midland, Michigan, died at the MidMichigan Regional Medical Center, on Tuesday, October 18, 1994.

Sterl was born April 20, 1906, in Huntersville, to the late George and Leanna McCarty Shrader. He lived in that area until his graduation from high school. Sterl received his bachelor of science degree from West Virginia Wesleyan College in 1931, his master and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Maryland in 1933 and 1935 respectively. That year, Sterl married the former Gladys Caldwell, who predeceased him in 1974.

Sterl worked for a short time at the Bureau of Mines in Raleigh, Missouri, then joined the The Dow Chemical Company as a microanalyst late in 1935. He headed the microchemical group until 1959 when he became assistant director of the Analytical Laboratories. He was appointed director of the Special Analytical Labs in 1961, serving in that position until his retirement in 1971.

Sterl was an active member of the First United Methodist Church, serving on numerous committees and directing major building projects and building maintenance for more than 50 years. He was also an active volunteer at the King's Daughters Home, maintaining a garden which provided residents with fresh vegetables for 18 years. He was a member of the American Chemical Society for 60 years.

Mr. Shrader is survived by two daughters, Carole Steffens, of Midland, and Kathy Burt, of Washington, D.C.; and five grandchildren. Two brothers, Raymond and Glenn Shrader; three sisters, Evelyn Mosser, Goldie Beverage and Leora Rosencrance, all predeceased him. A half-brother, Tom Shrader, of Henderson, Nevada, survives.

Services were held October 21 at 11 a.m. in the First United Methodist Church with Dr. Carl E. Price officiating. Interment was in Midland Memorial Gardens Cemetery.

Expressions of sympathy may be sent to the First United Methodist Church, of Midland.

Josephine Corso Shinaberry

Josephine Shinaberry, 65, of Ferndale Michigan, died Saturday November 12, 1994, in Oakland General Hospital in Madison Heights, Michigan.

She was born October 28, 1939, at Green Bank. She lived in Michigan for twenty-six years.

She was a member of the Methodist Church and also belonged to the VFW and American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, Arlie Shinaberry, of Ferndale, Michigan; a son William Corso; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at Spaulding and Curtis Funeral Home by Rev. Thomas Kelley. Interment was in Roseland Park Cemetery.

Adolphus T. Shears

Adolphus Theodore Shears, 87, of Arbovale, died Wednesday, December 28, 1994, in Pocahontas Continuous Care Center.

Mr. Shears was a member of the Arbovale United Methodist Church and was a retired employee of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory.

Born at Arbovale July 51, 1907, he was a son of the late Jessie Harper Shears and Ora L. Phillips Shears.

A sister, Viola Shears, and two brothers, Berleigh and Orlando Shears, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Nola Mae Nicholas Shears; a daughter, Lorena Shears Luton, of Fairview; three sons, Donald T. Shears and Marlin H. Shears, both of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Jerry C. Shears, of Springfield, Virginia; one sister, Thelma Peck, of Bartow; eight grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale by the Rev. David Fuller, with burial in Cemetery.

Josephine Shinaberry

Josephine Corso Shinaberry, 65, of Ferndale, Michigan, formerly of Marlinton, died Saturday, November 12, 1994, at Oakland General Hospital in Madison Heights, Michigan. She was born October 28, 1929, in Green Bank.

Surviving are her husband, Arlie; son William E. Corso, of Ferndale; granddaughters, Laura and Lisa Corso; and two neices, Julia Kelley and Karen Corso, of Michigan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James and Goldie Corso, and brothers, William (Bill) and Julian.

Services were handled by Spaulding and Curtin Funeral Home, Ferndale, with burial in Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley, Michigan.

Ralph W. Stone

Ralph Wilson Stone, 78, of Clarksburg, died Friday, November 24, 1995, at the Veterans Hospital in Clarksburg after a short illness.

He was born at Boyer March 25, 1917, the son of Scott and Lelia Keller Stone.

He was a member of the Evangelical Congregational Church of Clarksburg, and an Army veteran of World War II and the Korean War. He was a former member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Moose Lodge.

Surviving him are his wife, Dorothy Wimer Stone; two daughters, Sarah Lee Proctor, of Strasburg, Virginia, and Martha Ann Burner, of Arbovale; two sons, Donald Wilson Stone, of Jacksonville, Florida, and Michael Dale Stone, of Clarksburg, a sister, Pearl Rexrode, of Durbin; two brothers, Guy Stone, of Georgia, and Ray Stone, of Baltimore; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday at Arbovale United Methodist Church by the Rev. David Rittenhouse and the Rev. David Fuller. Burial was in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Paul J. Stell

Paul J. Stell, 66, of Elkins, died November 11, 1995, at his home. He had been in declining health for the past six years and death was attributed to cancer.

He was born April 9, 1929, at Whitmer, a son of the late Franklin Benjamin and Bertha Catherine Nelson Stell. On August 3, 1975, at Elkins, he was married to the former Susie E. Lambert, who survives. Also surviving are two sons, Ricky Stell, of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, and David L. Stell, of Elkins; two daughters, Tracy Simmons, of Beverly, and Rebecca Smith, of Glenmore Community, Elkins; two brothers, Wilbert Stell and Clarence Stell, of North Carolina; one sister, Mary Dundalk, of Maryland; four grandsons and two granddaughters.

Mr. Stell attended the schools of Whitmer and Elkins, had worked as a pipefitter at the FMC Chemical Plant at Baltimore, Maryland, for 20 years, and was owner and operator of the White Front Restaurant on Davis Avenue, Elkins, for ten years. He attended the Church of the Brethren.

Services were conducted at the John W. Lohr-Barb-Vance Funeral Home chapel Tuesday with the Revs. Walter H. Blough and Jack Howell officiating and interment following at the Mountain State Memorial Gardens at Gilman.

Joseph Martin Turner

Joseph Martin Turner, 2 1/2 months old, of Martinsville, Virginia, died Thursday, October 20, 1994, at home.

Joseph was the son of Robert Anthony "Tony" and Anjanette "Jan" Martin Turner. He was born August 9, 1994, in Martinsville.

In addition to the parents, survivors are a brother, Robert Mitchell Turner; maternal grandparents, Horace and Ann Martin, of Martinsville; maternal great-grandmother, Geraldine Martin, of West Virginia; paternal grandparents, Robert and Diona Turner, of Martinsville; paternal great-grandmother, Lena Turner, of Martinsville; also from the Pocahontas area a great-uncle and aunt, Ralph and Dorothy Martin Coleman, of Green Bank, and cousins, Rick, Kim, Randall, and Marty.

Services and burial were held Saturday, October 22, in Martinsville.

Margaret E. Snyder

Margaret Elizabeth Snyder, of Green Bank, died Tuesday, March 7, 1995, at her home, following an extended illness.

Mrs. Snyder was born at Waynesboro, Virginia, the daughter of Walter and Florence Martin Fisher, both deceased.

She had been a resident of Green Bank for 30 years, where she was the owner and operator of the Green Bank Restaurant. She was a member of Liberty Presbyterian Church, Mary Rebekah Lodge #109, and a member of the Ladies' VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Neil H. Snyder; a daughter, Linda Beverage, of Green Bank; a son, Neil K. Snyder, of Valparaiso, Indiana; and a grandson, Christopher Beverage, with the United States Navy.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p. m. at the Liberty Presbyterian Church in Green Bank by the Revs. Dr. Peter Maier, David Rittenshouse, and Julian Rittenhouse. Burial will be in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Liberty Presbyterian Church.

Fred H. Small

Fred H. Small, 80, of Marlinton, died Friday, October 28, 1994, in Teays Valley Nursing and Rehabilitation Center at Hurricane after a long illness.

Mr. Small worked for 21 years for Marlinton Cleaners and retired after 12 years working at Denmar State Hospital. He was a Protestant.

The son of Charles and Lelia Nelson Small, he was born in Wynona, Fayette County, January 17, 1914.

His wife, Ernestine Pritt Small, died October 4, 1992.

Surviving him are six daughters, Margaret Small Barlow, of Marlinton, Ernestine Grey Small Cordes, of Hagerstown, Maryland, Lelia Catherine Small Sheets, of Scott Depot, Frances Small Cook, of Summersville, Freddy Small, of Marlinton, Iva Jane Small Hall, of Willow Brook, Illinois; thirteen grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Richard Newkirk, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

DEATHS**Ethel Stanley**

Mrs. Ethel Emma Stanley, 87, of Marlinton, died Saturday, November 18, 1995, at Roanoke Memorial Hospital in Roanoke, Virginia, following a heart attack.

She was a retired cook from Pocahontas Memorial Hospital, and a Baptist.

Born at Gallipolis, Ohio, February 5, 1908, she was the daughter of the late Norman and Ida Landis McMillion.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Ernie Lee Stanley; a son, Jessie; three brothers, Clark, Jessie, and Clyde McMillion; and three sisters, Byrd Workman, Bettie Blankenship and Izora Petry.

Surviving her are a son, Harold Stanley, of Marlinton, and two daughters, Ceda Wilfong and Grace Blankenship, all of Marlinton; 19 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 11 a. m. Wednesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Lada Hardwick. Burial will be in Cochran Cemetery.

Wilma Beard Sheets

Wilma Beard Sheets, 81, of Lewisburg, died Saturday, September 3, 1994, at Greenbrier Manor Nursing Home, Fairlea.

She was a Presbyterian and a retired Fayette County school teacher with over 35 years' service.

The daughter of Chris and Mittie Hardbarger Beard, she was born at Bartow September 5, 1913.

Surviving her are a son, Richard R. Sheets, of Tampa, Florida, and a sister, Ruth B. Jennings, of Lewisburg.

Graveside services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the Arbovale Cemetery by the Rev. Peter Maire.

Thelma I. Sharp

Thelma I. Smith Sharp, age 73, died Sunday, November 12, 1995, at her home in Marlinton, after a long illness.

She was a member of First Baptist Church of Huntersville and the Order of Eastern Star.

Born at Herrin, Illinois, on July 20, 1921, she was the daughter of the late Thomas W. and Irene Rowe Smith.

Mrs. Sharp is survived by her husband, Carman Sharp; four children, Mary Sharon Crone, of Lewisburg, Carman E. Sharp, Jr., of Marlinton, Elizabeth Irene McLaughlin, of Huntersville, and Charles S. Sharp, of Marlinton; eleven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; a sister, Mary K. McLaughlin, and a brother, Wilbert C. Smith, both of Marlinton.

Services were held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Wednesday by the Rev. Alvie Edwards. Burial was in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the First Baptist Church at Huntersville.

David Alden Stanley

David Alden Stanley, age 36, died Monday, November 21, 1994, at his home on Route 1, Marlinton.

He was a carpenter helper and a member of the Baptist Church.

Born in Greenbrier County March 22, 1958, he was the son of the late Jesse Alden and Audrey Lucille Morrison Stanley.

Surviving him are his wife, Debra C. Cutlip Stanley; two daughters, Samantha Louise Stanley and Tabatha Dawn Stanley, both at home; three brothers, Roger Morrison, of Droop, Howard Junior Stanley, of Renick, and Earl Eugene Stanley, of Droop; and three sisters, Brenda S. Burgess, of Marlinton, Debra Hollandsworth, of North Carolina, and Gracie Lewis, of Droop.

A memorial service will be held at VanReenen Funeral Home on Friday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. Terry Cunningham.

Winfred Sheets

Winfred Sheets, age 79, of Green Bank, died Friday, August 12, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins.

Mr. Sheets was a farmer, a member of the Green Bank United Methodist Church, and an Army veteran of World War II.

Born at Green Bank, February 2, 1915, he was the son of the late Grover Cleveland and Nina Elizabeth Taylor Sheets.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Fairy Dare Sheets, May 2, 1994.

Surviving him are a daughter, Mary Frances Dillon, of Richmond, Virginia; sons, Roy "Wetzel" Sheets, of Richmond, Robert Clark, of Atlanta, Georgia, L. Wayne, of Elkins; a sister, Alma Jordan, of Arbovale; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Monday at Arbovale United Methodist Church by the Rev. David Fuller, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Elizabeth Shreve

Elizabeth "Betsy" Barnett Shreve, 75, of Elkins, died October 10, 1994, at home after a long illness.

She was a graduate of St. Francis School of Nursing in Charleston, and a former nurse at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She was a member of Elkins Woman's Club, Mountain Weavers Guild, Daughters of the American Revolution, John Hart Chapter, Davis Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and Holy Rosary Guild and Altar Society of St. Brendan Catholic Church. She was a charter member of Seneca Trail Artists Guild, former member of Davis and Elkins College Aid and president of Parent-Teacher Organization.

Mrs. Shreve was born April 29, 1919, at Shattuck, Oklahoma, a daughter of the late O. W. and Emma Poage Barnett. The family returned to Pocahontas about 1934.

Surviving are her husband, Dr. John R. Shreve; son, Dr. John R. Shreve, of Elkins; daughters, Elizabeth Ann Mitchell, of Akron, Ohio, Marcella Rust, of Virginia Beach, Virginia; a brother, Brooks Barnett, of Clover Lick; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a. m. Wednesday at St. Brendan Catholic Church by the Rev. James McCafferty and the Rev. Basil A. Hensley, with burial in St. Brendan Cemetery.

Additional Deaths

DEATHS

Marshall T. Sharp

Marshall Thad Sharp, 53, of Marlinton, died Saturday, November 25, 1995, at the University of Virginia Hospital in Charlottesville, Virginia, after a long illness.

He was an auto worker, a Methodist, and an Air Force veteran.

Born April 17, 1942, at Marlinton, he was the son of Adrian and Zoe Wheeler Sharp.

Preceding him in death were his wife, Shirley Sharp, and father, Adrian Sharp.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his companion, Rose Ellison; two brothers, Gills and Wayne Sharp, both of Baltimore, Maryland; a sister, Sandra Chandler, of Jarrettsville, Maryland; and two step-children, Rebecca Sharp, of Baltimore, and Earl Galford, of Charleston.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Jay Hicks, with burial in the Fairview Cemetery.

Margaret E. Snyder

Margaret Elizabeth Snyder, of Green Bank, died Tuesday, March 7, 1995, at her home, following an extended illness.

Mrs. Snyder was born at Waynesboro, Virginia, the daughter of Walter and Florence Martin Fisher, both deceased.

She had been a resident of Green Bank for 30 years, where she was the owner and operator of the Green Bank Restaurant. She was a member of Liberty Presbyterian Church, Mary Rebekah Lodge #109, and a member of the Ladies' VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Neil H. Snyder; a daughter, Linda Beverage, of Green Bank; a son, Neil K. Snyder, of Valparaiso, Indiana; and a grandson, Christopher Beverage, with the United States Navy.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p. m. at the Liberty Presbyterian Church in Green Bank by the Revs. Dr. Peter Maier, David Rittenshouse, and Julian Rittenshouse. Burial will be in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Liberty Presbyterian Church.

Bessie C. Tilson

Bessie C. Tilson, age 81, of Buckeye, died Friday, December 15, 1995, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She was a homemaker and a Southern Baptist.

Mrs. Tilson was born September 20, 1914, at Asheville, North Carolina. She was the widow of the Rev. Ray Tilson.

Surviving her is a son, Donald Tilson, of Buckeye.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at the VanReenen Funeral home by the Rev. John Sullivan, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Gilbert G. Taylor

Gilbert G. Taylor, of Jacksonville, Florida, passed away suddenly on October 8, 1994. He was the husband of Betty Deputy Taylor, formerly of Huntersville.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Lois and Lynn; eight grandchildren; one step-son, Robert Flora; and two step-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held October 10th, at Corey-Kerlen Funeral Home in Jacksonville, Florida.

Mrs Ruby Evelyn Shires

Mrs. Ruby Evelyn Shires, age 78, of Lewisburg, died Friday, October 28, 1994, at her residence following an extended illness.

She was born April 10, 1916, at Spring Creek, a daughter of the late Erve and Betty Walkup Byers.

She was a former employee of the Village Store in White Sulphur Springs.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Hereford Shires, in 1980.

She is survived by one sister, Nellie Byers, of Hillsboro; two step-sons, Carl Shires and Russell Shires, both of Richmond, Virginia; five step-grandchildren, and three step-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, October 31, in the Chapel of Shanklin Funeral Home, White Sulphur Springs, with the Rev. Hertzell Mills officiating. Interment followed in Salem Pennsylvania Cemetery at Organ Cave.

Burke Scott

Burke Scott, 97, of Hillsboro, died Saturday, November 26, 1994, at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center after a long illness.

Mr. Scott was a retired farmer.

Born in Hillsboro October 17, 1897, he was the son of Frank A. and Alice Mitchell Scott.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Warick and Lloyd Scott; sisters, Rebecca Reeves, Georgia Anderson and Jessie Rose.

Survivors include a foster son, Henry Lee Scott, of Bella Vista, Arkansas; foster daughters, Dorothy Vaughan, of Hillsboro, Mary Frances Dilley, of Dunmore; sister, Macle Walton, of Hillsboro; and a brother, Jewell Scott, of Hillsboro.

Hillsboro.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Roy Gwinn, with burial in Emmanuel Cemetery.

DEATHS

Lillie M Shinaberry

Lillie M. Shinaberry, age 87, of Stony Bottom, died Monday, February 6, 1995, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

A homemaker, she was the widow of Clarence A. Shinaberry.

Besides her husband, a son, Harper Shinaberry, and a brother, Noel Wheeler, preceded her in death.

The daughter of the late George and Virgie Bright Wheeler, she was born at Marlinton October 5, 1907.

Surviving her are a daughter, Helen Sharp, of Staunton, Virginia; two sons, George Shinaberry, of Seminole, Florida, and Norman Shinaberry, of Stony Bottom; five sisters, Mattie Higgins, Eula Friel, Nora Miller, and Zoe Sharp, all of Marlinton, and Edith Nelson, of Renick; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 11 a. m. Thursday by the Rev. David Rittenhouse. Burial will be in the Shinaberry Cemetery.

DEATHS

Mary L. Shirkey

Mary L. Shirkey, age 69, of Marlinton, died Friday, July 15, 1994, on Rt. 460, near Princeton, in an accident. Her three-wheel bicycle was struck by a tractor trailer in foggy conditions.

Mrs. Shirkey was a member of the Marlinton Church of God.

Born February 14, 1925, in Pocahontas County, she was the daughter of Floyd and Margaret Astin Oscar.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two husbands, Dulaney Shirkey and Jesse Blankenship, and four brothers, Robert, Loke, Alex, and F. L. Oscar.

Surviving her are two children and seven grandchildren, whom she adopted, Phyllis Marshall, of Long Beach, California, and Leslie Shirkey, of Marlinton; Spring Hinson, of Lancaster, South Carolina, Andrew Shirkey, of Long Beach, California, Travis Shirkey, Stephanie Shirkey, April Shirkey, Jessica Shirkey, and Jennifer Shirkey, all at the home in Marlinton; and two other grandchildren.

Services were held at VanReenen Funeral Home Monday morning at 11 a. m. by the Rev. I. W. Morgan, with burial in the Ruckman Cemetery, near Mill Point.

DEATHS

Nowlin Sheets

Nowlin Sheets, 84, of Huntersville, died Tuesday, June 21, 1994, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital, of a heart attack.

Mr. Sheets was retired from the Department of Highways after 32 years service, B&B Asphalt, 13 years, and as owner and operator of Huntersville Amoco, 10 years. A Methodist, he attended Cummings Creek Victory Chapel, and he was a member of the Masonic Lodge at Huntersville for 63 years.

Born at Huntersville June 25, 1909, he was the son of Samuel Price Sheets and Sally Goshia Gum.

Preceding him in death were his parents, sisters, Anna Price Sheets and Madge McQuain, and a brother, Cecil Sheets.

Surviving him are his wife, Faye Helen Alderman; three sons, Samuel A. Sheets, of Huntersville, David R. Sheets, of Scott Depot, and Michael L. Sheets, of Huntington; nine grandchildren and three step-grandchildren.

Services will be held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 2:00 p. m. Saturday, by the Revs. Wilbur Reynolds and Norman Alderman. Burial with Masonic rites will be in Huntersville Cemetery.

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Jacob Earl Simmons

Jacob Earl Simmons, age 80, of Marlinton, died Sunday, July 17, 1994, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness. He was a resident of Pocahontas Continuous Care Center.

A former heavy equipment operator, he was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a Methodist.

He was born December 9, 1913, at Marlinton, the son of Jacob Eldridge and Nebraska Jackson Simmons.

Preceding him in death were five brothers, John, Arlie, Jim, Albert, and Harry Simmons; four sisters, Edith Rigsby, Leula Gibson, Nettie Baugh, Eula Simmons; five half-sisters, Ernestine, Katherine, Maude, Belle, and Mabel.

His only survivor is a sister, Mary Wright, of Hilton, New York.

Services were held at VanReenen Funeral Home Tuesday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. Julian Rittenhouse, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Orpha M. Sexton

Orpha Mae "Dot" Sexton, 78, of Fayette, Alabama, died July 19, 1994 in Fayette County Hospital after a short illness.

She had lived in Fayette for over 30 years and operated Sexton's Grocery for many years. She was a member of Piney Grove Church of God in Fayette.

Born July 10, 1916 in Randolph County, she was the daughter of Andrew and Mae Harris.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three husbands, Rev. Gordon Weaver, of Elkins, Thurmond W. Gibson, of Marlinton, and Dan Sexton, of Fayette. Mary Bell Harris, her sister, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons, Wallace W. Weaver, Bladenboro, North Carolina; and Roy Gibson, of Marlinton; a step-daughter, Linda Ingram, of Fayette; a step-son, Dan Sexton, Jr., of Jasper, Alabama; three sisters, Carrie Butcher and Gladys Beverage, of Elkins, Ruby Hosey, of Grafton; one brother, Nelson Harris, of Elkins; seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Rev. Stan Willis officiated the funeral services held July 22 at 2 p. m. in the Norwood Chapel, Fayetteville, with interment at Kennedy City Cemetery, Kennedy, Alabama.

DEATHS

Earl Sutton

Edison Earl Sutton, 82, of Huntersville, died Tuesday, October 25, 1944, after a short illness.

He was a retired farmer and former Forest Service employee.

The son of the late Francis Marion and Bessie Dedimore Sutton, he was born July 13, 1912, in Doddridge County.

Preceding him in death were two daughters, Shirley Sharp and Phyllis Sutton, and two brothers, Ronald and Roy Sutton.

Survivors include his wife, Monna Long Sutton; six daughters, Glenda Sharp and Jennifer Ryder, of Marlinton, Billie Jean Beverage, Green Bank, Cathy Vandevander, Arbovale, Roberta Tacy and Barbara Mann, of St. Albans; four sons, Robert Sutton, Edward Sutton, and Patrick Sutton, all of St. Albans, and Francis Sutton, Summersville; a brother, Raymond Sutton, Marlinton; two sisters, Mary Wilson, of St. Albans, and Virginia Skiles, of Orange City, Florida; 32 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Services will be held at 1 p. m. Thursday at VanReenen Funeral Home by Paul DeRossett and Mart Samons, with burial in Arbovale Cemetery.

Norma Jo Simmons

Norma Jo Simmons, 49, of Sutton, died March 7, 1995, in the St. Francis Hospital, Charleston, after a short illness. She was born on May 17, 1945, in Marlinton. She was employed by the Braxton County Memorial Hospital, and was a member of the Gassaway Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her father, Norman Joseph Hiner.

Mrs. Simmons is survived by her husband, Rondal Simmons; one son, James R., of Manassas, Virginia; one daughter, Ramona Thompson, of Servia; her mother, Orpha Endicott Hiner, of Manassas, Virginia; one brother, Allen Hiner, of Manassas, Virginia; and five sisters, Juanita Clifford, of North Carolina, Deloris Grim and Irene Hunter, both of Manassas, Carol Sue Pryor, of Haymarket, Virginia, and Jean Plamp, of Marshall, Virginia; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Friday, March 10, 1995, at 2 p.m. in the Greene-Robertson Funeral Home, with the Rev. Mark Stump officiating. Burial was in the Braxton County Cemetery.

Brian P. Sutton

Brian P. Sutton, 35, of Hampstead, Maryland, died January 9, 1995, in Johns Hopkins Hospital following a heart attack.

He was the son of William R. and Frances Sheets Sutton, of Millers, Maryland. Other survivors include two brothers, William R. Sutton, Jr. and Stephen A. Sutton; one sister, Nancy S. Smith; and five neices and nephews.

Mr. Sutton was the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Page Sutton and Mr. and Mrs. Porter

Sheets.

Funeral services were held at the Eline Funeral Home in Hampstead on January 12, with burial in the Gardens of Faith Cemetery.

Berl J. Tacy

Berl J. Tacy, age 80, of Marlinton, died Sunday, February 12, 1995, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital following a heart attack.

Mr. Tacy was a retired correctional officer at Huttonsville Correctional Center and a former deputy sheriff/jailor of Pocahontas County. He was a Methodist.

Born at Cass June 9, 1914, he was the son of Dallas and Mary Syms Tacy.

Surviving him are his wife, Elsie Dean Tacy; two daughters and a son, Helen Conrad, Kernersville, North Carolina, James Tacy, of Covington, Virginia, and Frances McKenney, of Buckeye; four brothers, Ollie Tacy, of Richmond, Virginia, George Tacy and John Tacy, both of Cass, and Oliver Tacy, of Bowling Green, Virginia; three sisters, Bertie Cassell, of Green Bank, Grace Landis, of Marlinton, and Abbie Kerr, of Dunmore; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. William Cash, with burial in the Beaver Creek Cemetery.

DEATHS

Shirley Mae Sheets

Shirley Mae Sheets, 55, of Cass, died Thursday, September 22, 1994, at home.

She was a homemaker.

Born July 7, 1939, at Cass, she was the daughter of the late Joseph and May Collins Cassell.

Surviving her are her husband, Winfred Sheets; four sisters, Penny Miller, of Baltimore, Maryland, Mary Perkins, of Buckhannon, Shelby McLaughlin, of Dunmore, and Virginia Cassell, of Hillsboro; four brothers, John and Brown Cassell, both of Cass, Chester Cassell, of Wheeling, and Neal Cassell, of Texas.

Graveside services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at Arbovale Cemetery by the Rev. David Rittenhouse.

Memorial donations may be made to Greenbrier Valley Hospice, Lewisburg.

Mrs. Barbara A. Tupper

Mrs. Barbara A. Tupper, 64, formerly of Corfu, New York, died at noon Saturday, December 24, 1994, at the home of her son in North Clymer, New York, where she was under the care of Chautauqua County Hospice.

Mrs. Tupper was born January 1, 1930, in LeKoy, New York, a daughter of the late Lewis and Anna Shelt Esten.

She was a member of the Corfu United Presbyterian Church and the Auxiliary of Cathie Wilde VFW Post No. 9000.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Clare W. Tupper, and a son, James Tupper.

Surviving are three sons and daughters-in-law, William and Delores Tupper, of North Clymer, New York, Captain Daniel and Linda Tupper, of Alabama, and David and Barbara Tupper, of Marlinton; a daughter, Cheryl Tupper, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; two brothers, Lewis Esten, of Elba, New York, and Roger Esten, of Oakfield, New York; a sister Eva Wellman, of Bixby, Oklahoma; seven grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

DEATHS

William H. Roberts

William H. Roberts, 58, of Droop, died Sunday, August 21, 1994, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Mr. Roberts was a Baptist, and a former employee of Bata Shoe Company.

Born at Cordova February 28, 1936, he was the son of Mariam Lewis Roberts, of Droop, and the late Fred Roberts.

Surviving him in addition to his mother are his wife, Margaret Parks Roberts; a daughter, Carol R. Roberts, of Hillsboro; step-children, Mike and Terry Neal, of Ansted, Stanley and Clarence Neal and Jill Garette, all of Richwood, Sally May, of Bergoo, Willy Neal, of North Carolina, Diane Green, of Webster Springs, Donald Neal, of Staunton, Virginia, and Barbara Talbert, of Capon Bridge; 23 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Wednesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by Pastor Jack Burks, with burial in the Sharp Cemetery on Shumping Creek.

Earl W. Slavin

Earl Winfield Slavin, age 83, of Seebert, died Wednesday, July 13, 1994, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, Fairlea, after a long illness.

He was a member of Seebert United Methodist Church and was retired from the Department of Highways, Hillsboro.

Barney was a veteran of World War II. He served in campaigns of North Africa, Sicily, Italy, and was captured in southern France, being a prisoner of war at Stalag III C for five months. While serving in Public Relations, he was a driver for Ernie Pyle, Hal Boyle, and Chris Cunningham, war correspondents.

Born September 30, 1910, in Marlinton, he was the son of Carl Winfield and Ada Camden Slavin.

Preceding him in death were his parents, brothers, Ray and Robert, and a sister, Hazel Fickell.

Surviving him are his wife, Mildred Jones Slavin, a brother, Frank, of Rochester, New York, and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held 2 p. m. Friday at VanReenen Funeral Home in Marlinton with the Rev. Roy Gwinn and Rev. Harold T. Elmore officiating. Burial followed in Mountain View Cemetery, Marlinton.

The family suggests that memorial contributions may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

Geraldine M. Shinaberry

Geraldine M. McLaughlin Shinaberry, 79, of Marlinton, died Thursday, June 16, 1994, at the home of her daughter, Jean Harper, on Knapps Creek, after a short illness.

Mrs. Shinaberry was a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church and a former Sunday School teacher.

The daughter of the late William Parker and Birdie Gabbert McLaughlin, she was born on Brown's Mountain near Huntersville April 30, 1915.

She was the widow of Sterl W. Shinaberry, Sr.; others preceding her in death were brothers, Lynn, Forrest and Charles B. McLaughlin; sisters, Madge Johnson and an infant sister, Enid.

Survivors include a daughter, Priscilla Jean Harper, of Marlinton; a son, Sterl W. Shinaberry, Jr., of Fairmont; two sisters, Hazel Hamrick, of Marlinton, and Dora Sharp, of Huntington; two brothers, Grady McLaughlin, of Roanoke, Texas, and Sterl Lewis McLaughlin, of Warm Springs, Virginia; four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, and four step-great-grandsons.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Jay Hicks, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Building Fund or Marlinton United Methodist Church.

Margaret E. Snyder

Margaret Elizabeth Snyder, of Green Bank, died Tuesday, March 7, 1995, at her home, following an extended illness.

Mrs. Snyder was born at Waynesboro, Virginia, the daughter of Walter and Florence Martin Fisher, both deceased.

She had been a resident of Green Bank for 30 years, where she was the owner and operator of the Green Bank Restaurant. She was a member of Liberty Presbyterian Church, Mary Rebekah Lodge #109, and a member of the Ladies' VFW Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Neil H. Snyder; a daughter, Linda Beverage, of Green Bank; a son, Neil K. Snyder, of Valparaiso, Indiana; and a grandson, Christopher Beverage, with the United States Navy.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1 p. m. at the Liberty Presbyterian Church in Green Bank by the Revs. Dr. Peter Maier, David Rittenshouse, and Julian Rittenshouse. Burial will be in the Arboreale Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Liberty Presbyterian Church.

Doris V. Swecker

Doris Virginia Shaffer Swecker, 79, of Monterville, passed away Wednesday, February 15, 1995, in the Ruby Memorial Hospital, Morgantown.

Mrs. Swecker was born September 17, 1915, at Mill Creek, a daughter of the late Oscar C. and Daisey Dumire Shaffer.

On June 30, 1937, she was married to Neddie E. Swecker, who survives at Monterville.

Also surviving are one son, Robert E. Swecker, Monterville; one brother, Kenneth Shaffer, Valley Head; two sisters, Mary Jackson, Elkins, and Irene Shaffer, Dailey; three grandchildren, Sabrina, Christina and Matthew Swecker; and several nieces and nephews.

Also preceding her in death were five brothers, Homer, Howard, Ralph, William and Gilbert Shaffer; and two sisters, Agnes Stalnaker and Freda Stalnaker.

Mrs. Swecker was a 1937 graduate of Tygarts Valley High School and was a Protestant by faith. She was a former Sunday School teacher and was a homemaker.

Funeral services were held at the Tombllyn Funeral Home chapel Saturday, with the Rev. Jerry Bush and the Rev. Marshall Williams officiating. Interment was in the Mt. State Memorial Gardens near Gilman.

Johnnie Neal Sharp

Johnnie Neal Sharp, age 72, of Marlinton, formerly of Slaty Fork, died Saturday, December 17, 1994, after a long illness.

He was a retired railroad conductor and a member of the United Methodist Church. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

The son of Dexter and Rose E. Beverage Sharp, he was born at Fairview.

Surviving him are his wife, Bernice M. Teter Sharp; two daughters, Carolyn A. Lake, of Detroit, Michigan, and Melanie S. Jackson, of Key West, Florida; two grandsons, Tony and J. J.; a brother, Sterl U. Sharp, of Jamestown, New York; and a sister, Alice B. Conrad, of Terra Alta.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. I. W. Morgan, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the new Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Fund.

DEATHS

Goldie Jane Sharp

Goldie Jane Sharp, age 89, of Frost, died Sunday, December 17, 1995, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She had been a resident at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center and she was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Born at Mill Point July 9, 1906, she was the daughter of the late William W. and Melinda Catherine Jackson Rider.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Catherine Sue Miller; two sons, Howard Lee Miller and Kenneth Gray Miller; her first husband, Thomas Nelson Miller; four sisters, Myrtle May, Amy Burgess, Mamie Rider, and Grace Rider; a brother, George Summers Rider; two half-brothers, Penick and Elmer Rider.

Surviving Mrs. Sharp are her husband, Kyle Sharp; six daughters, Eula Sosbee, of Orange, Virginia, Alberta Moyers, of Monterey, Virginia, Phyllis Waddell, of Valley Grove, Virginia, Hilda Sharp, of Dunmore, Janie Deulley, of Colliers, and Carol Spade, of Marlinton; four sons, Robert Miller, of Orange, Virginia, Hubert Miller, of Appomattox, Virginia, Carl Miller, of Fairfield, Virginia, and James Miller, of Spotsylvania, Virginia; thirty grandchildren, forty-one great-grandchildren, and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at 11 a. m. at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. David Rittenhouse, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Charles L. Stuart

Charles L. Stuart, 66, of Kent, Ohio, formerly of Marlinton, died August 16, 1994, at home, following a sudden illness.

Mr. Stuart was born on March 20, 1928, at Spring Creek, the son of Lonnie and Lynette Pritt Stuart.

He was a coal forge operator and retired in 1990 from the RB&W Company, in Kent. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army and a former resident of Ravenna, Ohio.

Survivors include three daughters, Judy Stuart, of Ravenna, Karen Sharp, of Streetsboro, Ohio, and Sharon Sanek, of Ravenna; two sons, Charles Stuart, of Atwater, Ohio, and Ronald Stuart, of Ravenna; one sister, Dorothy Jarvis, of Hillsboro; one brother, Eugene, of Raleigh North Carolina; twelve grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

One sister, Betty Quick, of Marlinton, preceded him in death.

Funeral services were held at the Shorts Funeral Home in Ravenna on August 19 with the Rev. Charles Elledge officiating. Burial was in Grandview Memorial Park in Ravenna.

Addition to Obituary

The parents of Raymond Olet Mullenax, whose obituary was in last week's paper, were the late Olet and Belva Mullenax.

Frank I. Sharp

Frank I. Sharp, age 64, of Green Bank, died Thursday, October 13, 1994, in Davis Memorial Hospital at Elkins after a long illness with cancer.

He was a retired coal miner, and a member of the Arbovale United Methodist Church.

The son of the late Fred D. and Roxie M. Galford Sharp, he was born at Marlinton September 24, 1930.

Preceding him in death were a son, John H. Sharp; a sister, Edith M. Hively; a brother, Walter D. Sharp; an infant brother and sister; and a grandson.

Surviving him are his wife, Ruth Hazel Sharp; three sons, David I. Sharp, Mount Storm, Garnie V. Sharp, Laurel, Maryland, and Frank I. Sharp, Jr., of Davis; three daughters, Rebecca M. Comer, Lowellsville, Ohio, Frances M. Cooper, Mt. Storm, and Frankie J. Arnold, of Hambleton; two sisters, Ada Wilson, of Weems, Virginia, and Grace Hanna, of Hillsboro; three brothers, Calvin H. Sharp, of Weems, Virginia, Fred Sharp, of Pleasanton, Texas, and Eddie Sharp, of Hambleton; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held at Arbovale United Methodist Church at 2 p. m. Sunday by the Rev. David Fuller, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Louis Lyle Snedden

Louis Lyle Snedden, age 81, of Lexington, Kentucky, died September 11, 1994. He was the husband of Virginia Herold Snedden, formerly of Minnehaha Springs.

A native of South Norfolk, Virginia, he was born January 25, 1913, the son of Louis Earl and Ellen Lyle Snedden.

He graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute in 1934 with a B.S. Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He was Regional Vice President with Mason-Hanger-Silas Mason, Inc., in Lexington, where he was involved in projects such as repair and refurbishing of the New York subway system, enhanced and tertiary oil recovery and synthetic gas production. He developed tunnelling technology and machinery that resulted in three U.S. patents. In his career with Mason-Hanger, he has been involved with the design of the Titan I ICBM launch facilities, bridge construction in California, test structures at Nevada Test Site during Operation Teapot; Iowa Ordinance Plant, design of fertilizer, acid and plastics production plants. After college and employment in Roanoke, Virginia and then by Mason-Hanger, he entered the Army in 1941 and after active service in the European Theater in England, Ireland and France, was discharged honorably in 1945 as Lt. Colonel, Corps of Engineers. He then worked for The Austin Company in Cleveland, Ohio, until his re-employment in 1946 by

Mason-Hanger as a Design Engineer. He was a Registered Professional Engineer in California, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Nebraska and 1982-83 New York, and was listed in Who's Who in the South and Southwest and in 1986-87 edition of Who's Who in America.

He was of the Episcopal faith.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Nancy Lee Snedden, of San Francisco, California; a son, Louis Lyle Snedden, Jr., of Milton, Florida; a sister, Elizabeth Snedden, Arlington, Virginia; a brother, William M. Snedden, San Diego, California; four grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Burial services were held in Buchanan, Virginia.

Memorials are suggested to the Diabetes or Heart Associations.

DEATHS

Ann T. Richardson

Ann Thomas Richardson, age 78, of Marlinton, died Wednesday, June 8, 1994, in Greenbrier Valley Medical Center at Fairlea after several weeks' illness.

Ann was a graduate of Emory and Henry College, Emory, Virginia, and a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church. She suffered partial paralysis following the flu epidemic of 1918.

The daughter of the late C. J. and Annie Laurie Thomas Richardson, she was born at Marlinton April 24, 1916.

A sister, Pleas Richardson Campbell, and three brothers, Charles, Craig and Frank Richardson, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a sister, Mary Richardson Davis, of Marlinton, a brother, Jack Richardson, of Lewisburg, twelve nieces and nephews and twenty-six great-nieces and -nephews.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Marlinton United Methodist Church by the Rev. Karen Brown, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

member of the Frost Methodist Church.

Mrs. Hively, in addition to her son, Clyde, is survived by three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, husband, and two children, she was also preceded in death by two brothers, Wilbur and Oden Dilley.

At her specific request, Mrs. Hively will be creamated. Services will be held June 18, 1994, by the Rev. David Rittenhouse at 1 p.m. at the VanReenan Chapel with interment at Mountain View Cemetery.

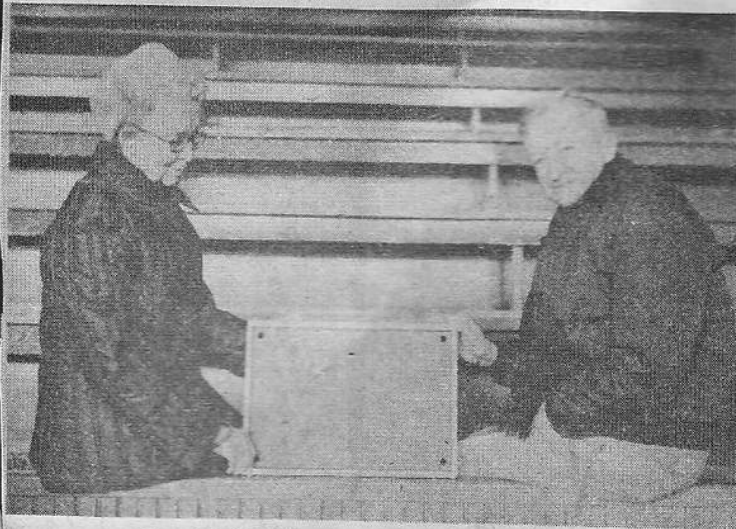
In lieu of flowers, the family suggests a contribution in her name to your favorite charity.

McNeel Gymnasium at Hillsboro

Those who remember Dr. H. W. McNeel and his years of service to the Hillsboro community as a medical doctor are becoming fewer as the years go by. Even fewer are those aware of his many years of service to the youth of the county as a member of the Little Levels and then the Pocahontas County Boards of Education. He was on the Little Levels Board when Hillsboro High was established. In his honor

the gym building at Hillsboro, built in 1938, was named the H. W. McNeel Gymnasium.

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Alfred E. McNeel

Alfred Edgar McNeel, 77, of Hillsboro, died Tuesday, February 7, 1984, in the Roanoke Rehabilitation Center following a short illness.

The son of the late Dr. Harvey Winters and Elizabeth Edgar McNeel, he was born in Hillsboro on February 6, 1907.

He was a retired farmer and a former employee of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, and the Corps of Engineers. He was a graduate of Hillsboro High School and attended Hampden Sydney college.

Mr. McNeel was a member and Elder of the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church and was a Director of the First National Bank in Marlinton, the Pearl Buck Birthplace Foundation, and the Pocahontas County Historical Society. He served 18 years on the Board of Education, six years as President, and was a former County Clerk. He was a member of the Lobelia Odd Fellows Lodge.

On July 18, 1942, he married Louise Barlow Beard, who survives him. Other survivors are two daughters, Anne Alderman, of Frankford, and Elizabeth McNeel, of San Jose, California; two grandsons, Jimmy Eric and Andrew Paul Alderman; a sister, Dorothy McNeel Backs, of Cincinnati, Ohio; and a brother, John Paul McNeel, of New York City.

A son, George Cameron McNeel, preceded him in death in December 1982. Also a brother, Isaac McNeel, in 1962, and a sister, Harriet McNeel in 1967.

Services are tentatively set for Friday at the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church in Hillsboro.

In lieu of flowers, the Family asks that donations be made to the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church.



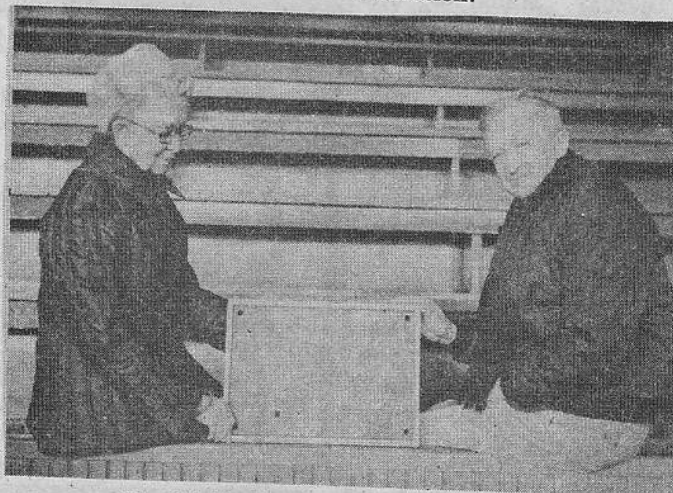
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McNeel Gymnasium at Hillsboro

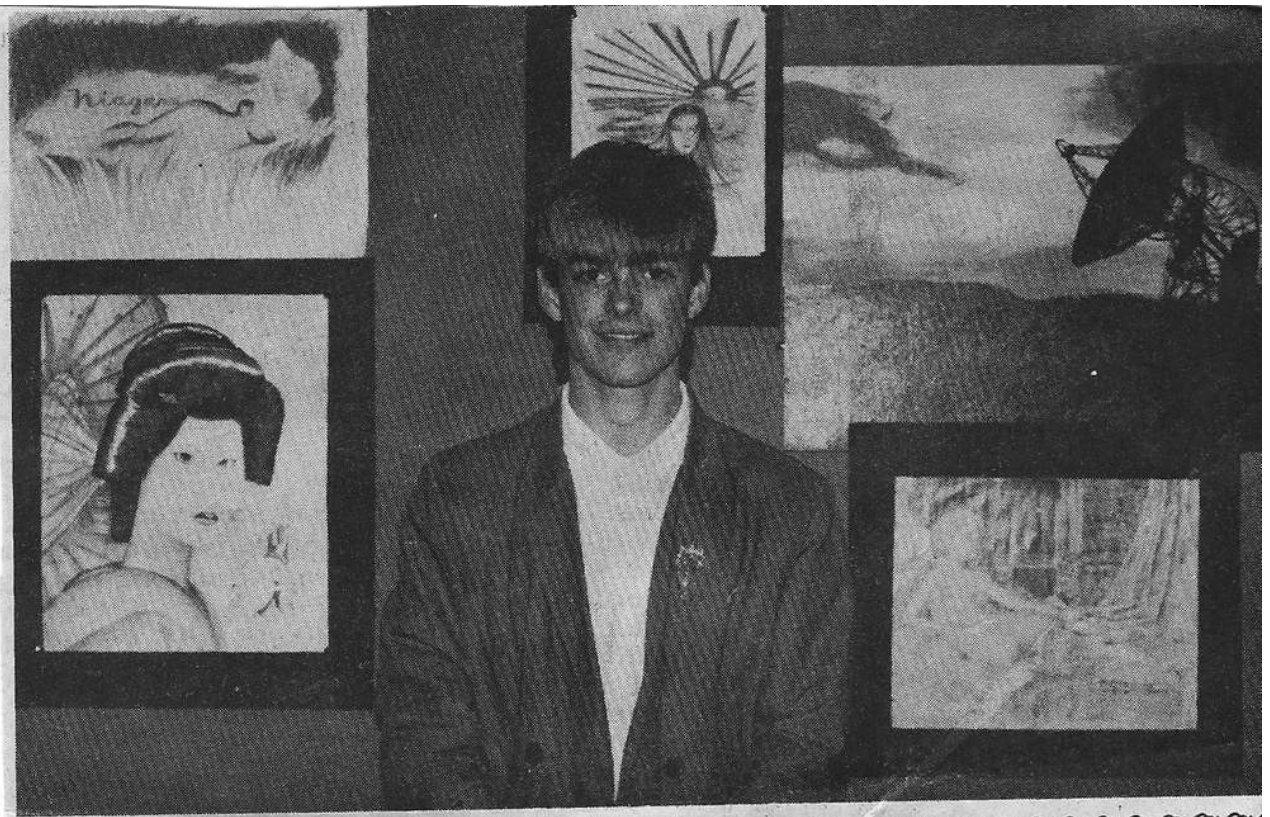
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Artist of the Month

Charles McNeel, of Hillsboro, a Junior at PCHS, was chosen "Artist of the Month" by Mrs. VanNostran, Art teacher. Some exceptional drawings and paintings of his are on display in the PCHS Library. Charles' work always proves him to be a creative and versatile artist. Charles has had two years in Drafting and two years in Fine Art at the high school. He has shown outstanding talent and ability and skill in both areas. With one more year to go at PCHS, Charles sees WVU as a possibility in his future plans, where he may study interior decorating in depth.

Pocahontas

WEST VIRGINIA 24954, SEPTEMBER 8, 1983

Deaths

Joe McNeel

Joseph Wilson McNeel, 74, of Mill Point, died Wednesday, August 31, 1983, in Denmar Hospital after many years' illness.

Born July 12, 1909, at Mill Point, he was a son of the late John Lanty and Nora Wilson McNeel.

His wife, Linda Jane McFerrerin McNeel, and two brothers, Dr. John O. and Richard I. McNeel, preceded him in death.

He was a retired farmer and a member of the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church.

Surviving him are a nephew, Lanty F. McNeel, of Hillsboro; two nieces, Nora Lou Workman of Hillsboro, and Martha McNeel Murdick, of Muncie, Indiana; and a sister-in-law, Mabel White McNeel, of Hillsboro.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday in the Oak Grove Presbyterian Church by his pastor, Rev. J. D. Arbuckle, with burial in the McNeel Cemetery.

Charles McNeel Heads for Cheerleading Nationals

Charles Richard McNeel, of Hillsboro, is bound for the Collegiate National Cheerleading Championships in Dallas, Texas, on January 2-4, 1988. A 1987 Pocahontas County High School graduate, the 18 year old West Virginia University freshman is one of two junior varsity squad members selected to join the 16 person WVU unit at Nationals.

WVU competed against teams from 21 colleges and universities chosen by the National Cheerleaders' Association from among entrants across the country. The 21 finalists were selected by live competition at NCA camps or by videotapes submitted to the association. The Mountaineers' videotape won them a berth in the prestigious competition.

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Marianne Moore, member of the Association of Flight Attendants, is shown with Congressman Harley Staggers thanking him for his co-sponsorship of a bill that offers some protections for airline employees during merger situations.

Ms. Moore is an attendant with Piedmont Airlines. Piedmont is currently awaiting approval for merger with USAir.

She is the daughter of Robert and Ryanna Moore, of Minnehaha Springs. She lives in Roanoke, Virginia.

Sentenced

According to a report by John Harris on WVMR, Gary Wigal was sentenced in Federal Court in Clarksburg on Tuesday. He appeared before Judge William Kidd in the Federal Court in Clarksburg.

Wigal had entered a guilty plea to tax evasion and conspiracy to possession with intent to distribute a quantity of marijuana last month.

He was sentenced to two concurrent five year sentences but they were commuted and he was placed on probation. He also has to pay \$5,000 into the Victim Restitution Fund as well as court costs.

Wigal has already forfeited to the government the farm on which the marijuana was grown, which is valued in excess of \$70,000, paid all back taxes and penalties, and forfeited over \$33,000 in other funds to the West Virginia State Police for drug investigations.

His wife, Grace Jane Wigal, was not charged in the case, but agreed to pay additional taxes and forfeit her interest in the farm.

In passing sentence, Judge Kidd noted Wigal's cooperation with the government in the case in giving information concerning others involved.

School Talk

By Gibbs Kinderman

Elsewhere in today's paper there is an article describing the hearing examiner's decision in the Grace Jane Wigal Case. In short, the examiner ruled that Mrs. Wigal should be reinstated to her position as a teacher at PCHS and awarded back wages from December 19, 1983 to the present. The Board of Education has 30 days in which to file an appeal to circuit court, should it choose to do so.

As I see it, the Board has several possible courses of action:

1) Appeal the case to circuit court and then on to the state supreme court if need be. Advantages of this approach would include the Board's upholding the rightness of its decision to suspend and then terminate Mrs. Wigal, and the possibility of a reversal of the hearing examiner's verdict, which would save the county the almost four years back pay. Disadvantages would include the possibility of a final verdict which would result in an even larger payment, since the case would have dragged on another year or two.

2) Accept the hearing examiner's ruling and reinstate Mrs. Wigal. The advantage would be that the case would finally be put to rest. The disadvantages would include the paying out of back wages which will probably amount to around \$90,000, and possible strong negative reaction from portions of the community to having Mrs. Wigal return as a teacher in the high school.

3) Attempt to negotiate a settlement with Mrs. Wigal which would involve her resignation as a teacher and a compromise payment in lieu of full back wages. Advantages of this approach would include saving the time and expense of further, and most likely lengthy, court battles; limiting the financial liability the board faces; achieving the Board's stated objective of

Wigal Case

A Circuit Court hearing on the appeal by the Board of Education of the order re-instating Grace Jane Wigal to her teaching position has been set for January 11. Both parties are to have their briefs filed by the end of this month.

Mrs. Wigal was dismissed from her teaching position at PCHS because of her alleged involvement with marijuana growing. Earlier this year a hearing examiner for the West Virginia Education Employees Grievance Board ordered that she be re-instated with back pay. The Board of Education voted to appeal the order.

Those who enjoyed a cook-out at the home of Mrs. Charles Moore of Buckeye on Saturday of Pioneer Days were: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wigal, Mark and Karen of Morgantown, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Moore of Dunmore, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Moore and Allie of Charleston, Mr. and Mrs. David Moore, and Amber of Manchester, Maryland, Mrs. Jane Ruckman of Barboursville, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ruckman, Joshua, Aaron and Andrew of Hurricane and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Anderson of Morgantown.

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Wigal Hearing Not Held

The hearing scheduled by the Board of Education for last Thursday concerning the possible termination of Grace Jane Wigal from her teaching position at PCHS was cancelled due to the filing of a Writ of Mandamus and Prohibition in the Circuit Court by her attorney last week.

The writ asks that the Court direct the Board of Education to reinstate Mrs. Wigal to her teaching position with back pay calculated from December 20, 1983. It also asks that the Board be prohibited from pursuing further suspension or dismissal action. The writ also requests the payment of attorney fees by the Board.

The writ is in the hands of Judge Charles Lobban. As of Tuesday he had taken no action on the writ.

Mrs. Wigal has been suspended from her teaching position since she and her husband were arrested on charges of growing marijuana in September, 1983. School Superintendent Carl Holland told the Board last month that he plans to recommend that Mrs. Wigal be dismissed.

Mrs. Wigal's attorney in this matter is David W. Johnson, who has been retained by the West Virginia Education Association.

Marijuana raid nets \$3 million

By Terri Thornton
Staff Writer

Nearly \$3 million worth of marijuana was confiscated in Pocahontas County Thursday night, and a county high school teacher was among those arrested for cultivation.

Grace Jane Wigal, 33, a journalism and remedial reading teacher at Pocahontas County High School, and her husband, 37-year-old Gary Smith Wigal, were arrested around midnight Thursday and charged with cultivating marijuana with the intent to sell. Each posted \$15,000 bond around 1 a.m. Friday and was released, said Pocahontas Magistrate Sue Hollandsworth.

A third suspect, 23-year-old Jennings Wise Garnett from Warm Springs, Va., was arrested and held overnight. He posted bond 4:30 p.m. Friday, according to an officer in the sheriff's department.

Police say they are still investigating and more arrests will be made.

The marijuana, which Prosecuting Attorney Steve Hunter told WVMR radio Friday afternoon consisted

(Please see Marijuana on 8A)

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3 arrested, pot operation broken up

MARLINTON — Authorities have seized a large marijuana crop secluded in the Pocahontas County hills and have arrested three people, state police said Friday.

Sgt. R. G. Wilfong, of the state police detachment here, said Jennings Garnett, 23, Grace Wigal, 33, and Garry Wigal, 37, all of Dunmore, were arrested and charged with cultivation of marijuana after police discovered a sophisticated marijuana-growing and packaging operation Thursday.

State police went to a farm near Marlinton after receiving information from forrest rangers that marijuana was being grown in the area.

Wilfong said police discovered two barns used for drying marijuana and a farm house. Police pulled up more than 1,000 marijuana plants.

More arrests are expected, Wilfong said. The FBI is assisting the state police in the investigation.

Bond was set for the three at \$15,000 each.

Pocahontas

HONTAS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

DEATHS

Ramon Townsend

Ramon Townsend, of Elk Rt., Marlinton, died Tuesday, October 20, 1987, in the University of Virginia Hospital, at Charlottesville, Virginia.

No arrangements have been made as we go to press.

Mrs. Mamie Bush

Mrs. Mamie Bush, 82, of Marlinton, died Friday, October 16, 1987, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born January 2, 1905, at Marlinton, she was the daughter of the late Edward and Millie Timple Wheeler.

She was a member of Wilson Chapel.

Her husband, Robert Bush, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are a sister, Grace Wheeler, of Dayton, Ohio, and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Monday in the VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Sanford Boggs and Rev. Carl Boggs, with burial in the Brownsburg Cemetery.

Carl B. Burner

Carl B. Burner, 72, of Hillsboro, died Friday, October 16, 1987, at his home following an apparent heart attack.

The son of the late Orville and Delta Schoonover Burner, he was born July 12, 1915, at Philippi.

Mr. Burner was a retired personnel director with the Kentucky Power Company and a member of the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church at Hillsboro. He served in the Navy in World War II and was a former West Virginia State Police officer. He was a charter member of the East Bank Lions Club, member of the American Legion, and was a Shriner in the Masonic Lodge.

Surviving him are his wife, Jessie H. Burner; a daughter, Barbara Kay McDonald, of Cupertino, California; three brothers, Earl Burner, of Cumberland, Maryland, Ralph Burner, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Glenn Burner, of Huntington; four grandchildren and great grandchildren.

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William A. Seabolt

William A. Seabolt, 81, of Cass, died Wednesday, October 4, 1987, near his home.

He was a woodsman and a member of the Methodist Church.

Born at Leonard March 17, 1906, he was the son of Dollie Perkins Seabolt, of Denmar, and the late Johnson Seabolt.

He was preceded in death by two children, a brother and a sister.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Mabel Hinkle Seabolt; children, Johnson Seabolt, Cass, Roy Seabolt, Topeka, Kansas, Robert Seabolt, Cass, Madge Brock, Hillsboro, and Mary Cassell, Cass; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held in Emmanuel Cemetery at 1 p. m. Saturday by the Rev. Gene Kerby.

Elizabeth H. Wooddell

Elizabeth Hope Wooddell, 72, of Lexington, Virginia, died Thursday, October 1, 1987, at the home of her sister, Harry Wooddell, in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Miss Wooddell was born April 21, 1915, at Green Bank.

She taught in Green Bank before joining the Red Cross European Theater in the 1940's. She served with the USO in Alaska and Charleston, South Carolina, until 1956 when she became the assistant director for programming and volunteer services for the USO in New York City. She retired in 1975 and moved to Lexington in 1976.

ability to satisfactorily perform her duties as a teacher has been directly affected by her arrest. The Board, according to Ms. Keller, failed to establish a connection "between the events which occurred in private, did not directly involve any student or school personnel, and did not result in any criminal charges being brought against the grievant and the duties she performed as a teacher."

Ms. Keller ordered that the back pay be awarded from December 19, 1983, the date of Mrs. Wigal's first request to be re-instated to her teaching position.

The Board of Education has thirty days to decide whether to appeal the decision in favor of Mrs. Wigal to the circuit court.

Wigal Enters Plea

Gary S. Wigal entered a guilty plea in U.S. District Court Monday to tax evasion and conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute a quantity of marijuana.

According to an information filed by the United States Attorney's Office, Wigal willingly attempted to evade and defeat a large part of the income tax due and owing by him to the United States Government from marijuana sales for the tax year 1982. Wigal reported \$29,517.72 with tax owed as \$4,983.64, whereas actual taxable income was \$119,386.60 upon which tax was owed of \$41,481.86. Conspiracy involved the cultivation of marijuana on farms in the Thorny Mountain area from January 1981 till September 1983, when Wigal was arrested by state authorities. In addition to taxes and penalties due and owing, Wigal forfeited his farm to the U.S. Government, due to its use in the marijuana conspiracy.

U.S. District Court Judge William M. Kidd set sentencing for Jan. 21, 1985, and Wigal was released on a \$5,000 personal recognizance bond.

Assistant U.S. Attorney David Jividen said Wigal faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison and/or a \$25,000 fine on the two felony counts.

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Two other people, Jennings Garnett and James Garnett, were arrested with the Wigals in September 1983. Mr. Jividen

said the investigation involving them is still continuing. He said this case has involved a multi-state investigation.

MARLINTON, POCAHONTAS COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA 24954, DECEMBER 20, 1984

Number 28



MARIJUANA BUST

Pocahontas County authorities destroyed a well organized marijuana production operation last week and placed three people under arrest. A warrant is out for a fourth person. Marijuana with a value of at least \$3,000,000 was burned at the Huntersville Dump Friday evening.

According to the Prosecuting Attorney's office, those arrested were two county residents, Gary Smith Wigal, 36, and his wife, Grace Jane Wigal, 33, and a Warm Springs, Virginia, resident, Jennings Wise Garnett, 23. The two men are charged with the cultivation, manufacture, and possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance. Mrs. Wigal is charged with possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance. All three are out of jail on \$15,000 bond each.

A warrant is out for the arrest of James H. P. Garnett.

Mrs. Wigal is an English teacher at Pocahontas County High School. She was suspended from her position on Monday pending the outcome of the case. Her husband is presently unemployed. Garnett described himself to authorities as a sculptor.

The affair began on Thursday with the report to State Police by U. S. Forest Service personnel of a possible field of marijuana on Thorny Creek Mountain. Search warrants were obtained and authorities found a 1½ to 2 acre field of cultivated marijuana on an 80 acre tract of land on the mountain. This tract had belonged to the Wigals but James Garnett had by

About \$3,000,000 worth of marijuana plants were piled behind the Marlinton State Police Headquarters on Friday. The rolls on the left are screens that were used in the drying process for the harvested marijuana. The marijuana was burned Friday evening at the Huntersville Dump.

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Researcher on Chart

dry the marijuana and a log cabin that seemed to have been the headquarters for the operation. Also near the patch was a two-level tower constructed in a tree. An electric fence had been placed around the area, but was disconnected. A small irrigation system was also set up.

The marijuana field contained from 1200 to 1500 stalks. Most of the marijuana had already been harvested.

Located adjacent to the home of the Wigals near Clawson was another barn and an old house which were also being used to dry the marijuana. In their search of all the buildings, authorities also found dehumidifiers, a bagging system, and digital scales for weighing.

Wigal was observed by authorities in the field when they first approached the site, but he ran when he saw officers coming. He turned himself in at the State Police Office before 10 Thursday evening. Garnett was arrested at 11:15 p. m. as he was walking up the C&O grade towards Clawson. Mrs. Wigal turned herself in to authorities about 1 a. m. Friday. All three arranged bond and were released Friday afternoon.

The destination of the marijuana is not known for certain at this time.

Investigation into the case continues by both state and federal officials. An FBI agent has been at the scene and is actively investigating.



Hill Reunion

Grady K. Moore will be the speaker at the Eighteenth Annual Hill Reunion at Droop Mountain State Park, on Sunday, August 20. Memorial services will be held at 11. After a picnic dinner Mr. Moore will speak about 2:30.

Mr. Moore, an assistant cashier at the Bank of Marinton, is well known throughout the County. He served as Circuit Clerk for many years and is very active in Scout work. This year he received the Silver Beaver Award, the highest

honored to those who
Advance tickets are now be-

DEATHS

Lloyd Payne

Lloyd Payne, 83, of Moundsville, formerly of Hillsboro, died Wednesday, May 28, 1986, in the hospital at Glen Dale following a stroke.

Mr. Payne, a native of Pocahontas, was a former merchant, and served as Clerk of the Circuit Court of Pocahontas County from 1961 to 1970.

Surviving him are his wife, Eva Hall Payne; a son, Donald Payne, of Moundsville; and one granddaughter, Terry.

Funeral services were held Friday in Grisell's Funeral Home by his minister of the Moundsville Presbyterian Church, with burial in Moundsville.

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Francis S. Woodford

Francis S. Woodford, age 76, of Charles Town, died May 24, 1986, in Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins.

Mr. Woodford ("Woodie") suffered a heart attack on May 20 while he and Wade Meese, of Oakland, Maryland, were visiting friends in Green Bank.

Both men worked as Area Supervisors for International Harvester in Pocahontas County in the early forties and were well known in the County.

Mr. Woodford is survived by his wife, Katherine, and three children in Charles Town.



*Patty
Westfall's
daughter.*

Placing in the Miss
Shanghai Pageant staged at
Carnegie Hall in Lewisburg
on Saturday evening were
(from left) Rhonda Lee Pritt,

fourth runner-up; Betsy L.
Hinkle, third runner-up;
Debbie Frum, second runner-
up and Loretta Boone, first
runner-up. (D.S.S.)



Princess

Kelley Graye Pyles, of Seebert, has been selected by Auditor Glen Gainer to serve as a Princess in the Court of Queen Silvia LI who will reign over the 51st Annual Mountain State Forest Festival in Elkins, Sept. 30 to Oct. 4.

Pyles, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Pyles, of Seebert, is employed by the Bank of Marlinton. She is a graduate of Pocahontas County High School and was 1985 Homecoming Queen. She is active in community affairs such as the Pocahontas County Pioneer Days and the Flood Clean-up program. She attends the Seebert United Methodist Church and enjoys swimming, reading and photography.



Maj. Zed S. Smith (left), of Marlinton, was among the pilots of the 5th air force who struck at New Britain in the recent invasion. Maj. Smith pilots a B-24 Liberator, and during the eight months he has been in foreign service, he has flown single missions taking him over 2,700 miles. Maj. Smith holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal for his part in sinking a Jap cruiser during a skip bombing raid several months ago.

T. Loring Cox, Jr. (right), son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Loring Cox of Birch river, was among the army air forces bombardiers who received the commission of 2d lieutenant and his aerial wings in graduation exercises at Kirtland field, Albuquerque, N. M., last week. Lt. Cox attended Nicholas county high school, and the Mountain State Business college in Parkersburg. Before entering the air forces, Lt. Cox was employed with the U. S. Engineers office in Bermuda.

308 Z. S. SMITH, Sr.

Z. S. Smith, Sr., aged 84 years, died on Friday, August 27, 1954, after a lingering illness of some months duration. On Sunday afternoon his body was laid in the family plot in Mt. View Cemetery. The service was held from the home by Rev. Don Taylor.

The deceased was a son of the Z. W. and Victoria Chewning Smith, of Mt. Pleasant, Virginia. Of his father's family there remain his brother, Edward, of Charlotte, North Carolina; his four sisters, Mrs. Olivia Anderson and Mrs. Leslie Payne, both of Covington; Mrs. Maggie Cushing, of Warm Springs; Mrs. Carrie Athey, of Arlington, Virginia.

Sixty-one years ago Mr. Smith married Annie Maria Richardson, of Warm Springs. She preceded her husband four years since. Their children are Z. S. Smith, Jr., Clarence C. Smith, and Francis E. Smith; Mrs. Boyd Smith and Mrs. J. W. Reynolds. A son, Lt. Thomas Smith, and a daughter, Gladys, preceded their parents.

The Smith children of the third generation are Colonel Z. S. Smith, III, of the Air Corps; Miss Peggy Smith, with the Army of Occupation in Germany; Stephen, Sara and Sherry Smith; the great grand daughter, Pamela Smith.

Thus is noted the passing of an outstanding citizen, businessman and Christian gentleman.

Over fifty years ago, Zed Smith moved to Marlinton to engage in business as an undertaker. He continued here and in this service until his passing.

Among the endeavors of a public service nature to which the deceased devoted much time and effort in promoting and developing were the Pocahontas County Fair and the municipal-owned Mt. View Cemetery. As this gentleman of the old school was laid away, it was just natural to recall that the orderly decency of these sacred acres of outstanding beauty was due in small part to his leadership efforts. He ever took pride in the successful establishment of this cemetery as a permanent community memorial.

In religion, Mr. Smith was a Presbyterian. For nearly sixty years he served The Cause in the calling of Ruling Elder.

Peace to his ashes.

Mrs. Goldie Smith

Mrs. Goldie Irene Smith, 82, of Mill Point, died Friday, July 11, 1986, in Greenbrier Valley Hospital following a stroke.

She was a member of the Buckeye Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Smith was born June 15, 1904, at Buckeye, the daughter of Asa Winters and Erma Etta Beverage McNeill.

Her parents, two brothers, E. Meade McNeill and Adriel Addison McNeill, and a sister, Madeline McNeill, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are her husband, S. Glenn Smith; two daughters, Mary Etta Bennett, of Martinsburg, and Glenda Sharp, of Kingston, Oklahoma; and one grandchild.

Services were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Verlin Butcher and the Rev. Clay Macaulay, with burial in Ruckman Cemetery.

Benton E. Smith, Jr.

Benton E. Smith, Jr., 42, of Scott Depot, died Thursday, July 21, 1983, of a heart attack.

He was an Air Force veteran and a former employee of FMC. He had lived in Scott Depot for fifteen years.

Mr. Smith was a native of Pocahontas County, the son of Benton and Anna Hull Smith, of Mill Point.

Surviving him are his wife, Valerie; sons, Mark W. Conley, of Phoenix, Arizona, and Bradford Allen Conley, of Scott Depot; and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benton Smith, Sr., Buckeye.

Graveside services were held Saturday in Ruckman Cemetery, Buckeye, by the Rev. Verlin Butcher.

Zed S. Smith, III

Lieutenant Colonel Zed S. Smith III, died at his home in Granada Hills, California on Wednesday, November 30, 1960. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He was a member of the Personnel Department of Lockheed Corporation.

Smith retired as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force in May, 1954, when he suffered a heart attack while stationed at Harlingen Air Force Base, Harlingen, Texas, as Base Operations Officer.

He enlisted in the Army Air Corps July 11, 1941, and was sent to Oxnard Air Force Base in Oxnard, California. He passed his Air Corps examinations during his senior year at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

He was graduated from Pilot Training School at March Field in Sacramento, California; received training at the B-24 Bomber Group School at Tucson, Arizona; was with the first bomber group that flew to Bush Airport Base near Sarwin, Australia, the group which was under the command of General George C. Kenney and later he served with a B-29 Group that bombed Tokyo.

General Kenney presented Smith with the Air Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, and Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross.

His squadron was awarded a Presidential Unit Citation in 1943. He was the only survivor to receive the citation.

In 1955, he was given a total disability discharge from the Air Force because of his heart condition.

Mrs. Zed S. Smith, Jr.

Mrs. Mattie McNeel Beard Smith, 72, died in the Pocomantas Memorial Hospital Thursday, March 23, 1967, after a three months' illness.

The daughter of the late Charles Edgar and Lucy McNeel Beard, she was born at Mill Point May 21, 1894.

Mrs. Smith had served devotedly for 43 years as organist of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, playing for both the adult and youth choirs, and was active in the Women of the Church. Her service was recognized several years ago with a Life Membership honor. She had long been an active member of the Marlinton Woman's Club.

Surviving her are her husband, Zed S. Smith, Jr., and a daughter, Miss Peggy Smith. She was preceded in death by a son, Colonel Z. S. Smith, III, and two brothers, Tom and Carl Beard.

Services were held Sunday afternoon in the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Fred W. Walker, Sr., with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

RALD, BECKLEY, W. VA., FRIDAY MORNING,

Col. Zed S. Smith Dies Of Heart Attack At 40

MARLINTON (RNS) — Lt. Col. later served with a B-29 Group Zed S. Smith III, 40, died at his home in Granada Hills, Calif., at 9 p.m. Wednesday. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Smith retired as a lieutenant colonel in the Air Force in May 1954, when he suffered a heart attack while stationed at Harlingen Air Force Base in Harlingen, Texas.

Smith enlisted in the Army Air Corps July 11, 1941, and was sent to Oxnard Air Force Base in Oxnard, Calif. He passed his Air Corps examinations during his senior year at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

He was graduated from Pilot Training School at March Field in Sacramento, Calif.; received training at the B-24 Bomber Group School at Tucson, Ariz.; was with the first bomber group that flew to Bush Airport Base near Sarwin, Australia, the group which was under the command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, and

Gen. George C. Kenney presented Smith with the Air Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, and Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross.

His squadron was awarded a Presidential Unit Citation in 1943. He was the only survivor to receive the citation.

In 1955, he was given a total disability discharge from the Air Force because of his heart condition.

Born at Marlinton, May 21, 1920, he was a son of Zed Smith and Mrs. Mattie Beard Smith Jr. of Marlinton.

Other survivors include his wife, Donna Rae Smith, and a daughter, Pamela Gail Smith, both of Granada Hills, and a sister, Miss Peggy Smith of Charleston.

The body is being returned to Smith Funeral Home at Marlinton. Arrangements are incomplete.

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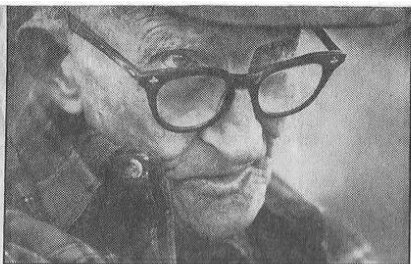
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Silhouetted against the hilltop, Smith makes rounds on the 160-acre farm he bought in 1947.



Glenn Smith discovered his love of animals at age 3.

Tending animals keeps farmer animated at 84

Sandy Wells
SUNDAY GAZETTE-MAIL

MILL POINT — He lost his wife, his beloved Goldie, two years ago. His eyes mist when he mentions her name. Food doesn't interest him. He gets through the day on a cup of coffee and a plug of Beech Nut tobacco.

He needs a cane to walk. He can't remember things like he used to. Sometimes he talks about dying. "My Dad lived to 89. I'll never see it."

At 84, Glenn Smith has lived the best of his life.

So what keeps him going? "It's determination mostly."

It's the animals mainly.

"If it wasn't for them, I couldn't make it. I love them all. They're a lot of work and a lot of worry, but animals have been my life, so I just keep a'goin'."

Every day, rain or shine or snow ("I've walked to the barn with snow up to my waist"), he rises at dawn, reaches for his cane, puts on his ball cap and tie (he *always* wears a tie), goes to the barn to check 60 or so sheep, heads up the hollow to feed 25 horses and 20 or so cattle, comes back to the barn to give grain to the sheep, checks the goats, chickens, geese and ducks, tends the garden, mends a fence, delivers a lamb or a calf, roams his 160-acre farm doing what needs to be done, realizes at dusk that he is too tired for dinner and re-

members, again, that he forgot to eat lunch.

"I about starved myself to death," he says. "I have plenty of food in there, but I won't take the time to eat. Sometimes I sit down at the table, but I think of something I have to do and I leave my plate. The animals come first."

They always have. From the time he first rode a horse at age 3, from the time he started making rounds with his veterinarian father, even when he was earning a living in other ways, Glenn Smith knew he was born to raise animals.

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ring-necked pheasants. You name it and I've raised it and sold it."

Probably Glenn Smith will die raising animals. Unless his legs fold first. "I was out all day yesterday working on fence. When I got to the house, I was ready to fall down. I overdo. I work till I'm ready to drop off my feet. When I can't walk, I'll quit. But I hope I just fall over dead."

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did it. Now I fall over anything 6 inches high."

But a glimmer of the track star remains. The wiry octogenarian traverses hilly pastures with the sure-footedness of a billy goat — when he can find his cane. "I lose 'em just as fast as I go out. I lay 'em down to do something, then I go do something else and then I forget where I put 'em." He slings one of his favorite hand-hewn canes up in the air. "This one laid out here all winter. When the snow melted in the spring, I found it."

The forgetfulness is exasperating. "When I was a kid the age of accountability I could remember all the horses and their col-

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DEATHS

Maggie A. Parker

Maggie A. Parker, 87, of Marlinton, died Sunday, July 26, 1987, in Alleghany Regional Hospital, Low Moor, Virginia.

Mrs. Parker was born on Williams River September 15, 1899, the daughter of the late Paris and Lottie Roberts Hammons.

Her husband, Nathan Parker, died September 30, 1965. Others preceding her in death were four sisters, Nancy, Bessie, Manda, Ruie, and a brother, John.

Surviving her are two brothers, Sherman Hammons and Burl Hammons, and two sisters, Emma Roberts and Dasie Buzzard, all of Marlinton.

Services will be held at 1 p. m. Thursday in the VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Gary Jarrell, with burial in Cochran Cemetery.

Rosary for John Mycka, of Denver, Colorado, 24 years, recited at 8:00 a. m. Wednesday, August 18, 1971, at Noonam Mortuary.

Mass of the Resurrection was held at 10:00 a. m. Thursday at All Saint Catholic Church, Denver, Colorado.

He was born August 9, 1947, at Marlinton. Died on Sunday, August 15, 1971, at Saint Anthony Hospital.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mycka; two sisters, Jane, and Mrs. Jean Smith, of Biloxi, Mississippi.

He was the grandson of Mrs. Kate Broyles, of Marlinton, and a nephew, of Luther Plyler, of Durbin, and Calvin Plyler, of Bartow.

The family requested in lieu of flowers donations be sent to the American Cancer Society.

Attending the funeral from a distance were Tony Mycka, of Washington, D. C., Luther Plyler, of Durbin, and Airman First Class and Mrs. Albert Smith, Jr., of Biloxi, Miss.

Mrs. Robert Lee Rose
Alta Thomas Rose, 92,
widow of Robert L. Rose, died
May 19, 1986, after a long
illness.

She is survived by four
children: daughters, Mrs. Ran-
dolph (Mildred) Shortt, of
Ona, Mrs. Jack (Mary Ruth)
Moore, of Richwood, Mrs.
Robert (Louise) McKeage, of
Montrose, Pennsylvania, and
son, H. Shan Rose, of
Hendersonville, Tennessee,
and one special daughter-in-
law, Mrs. Nola J. Rose; 16
grandchildren, 15 great-grand-
children, and 3 great-great-
grandchildren.

Mrs. Rose was born in
Buckeye, the daughter of the
late Margaret Buckley Y.
Thomas and Alvin Reece
Thomas. Besides her husband,
she was preceded in death by
two children, Margaret R.
Lutz and Robert McNeil Rose,
one sister, four brothers, one
half-sister and two half-
brothers. She was the last
member of her family.

She was a member of the
Marlinton United Methodist
Church.

Funeral service was held
at the VanReenen Funeral
Home at 11 a. m. Wednesday by
the Rev. Robert Cruikshank,
with interment in Mountain
View Cemetery.

James Lee Rose

HILLSBORO - James Lee Rose, 64,
of Hillsboro, died August 31, 1987
in Hillsboro of an apparent heart
attack.

He was a retired employee of the
State Department of Highways with
35 years of service. He was a
member of Wesley Chapel United
Methodist Church at Hillsboro.

Survivors include: his wife,
Nancy Pennybacker Rose; son,
James E. of Hillsboro; daughters,
Lori Mallow of Marlinton, Caroline
Curry of Leesburg, VA., Teresa
Dunbrack of Hillsboro, Melanie
Rose of Scottsdale, AZ.; brother
Melvin R. of Clarksville, MD;
sisters, Eula M. Batchelder of
Garden City, S.C., Jean Melgaard of
Vienna, VA., Joan Rose of Falls
Church, VA.; and four grandchild-
ren. Services were held at 2:00
p.m. Thursday at Wesley Chapel
United Methodist Church with the
Rev. Verlin Butcher and the Rev.
Willis Corneilius officiating. Burial
was in the Oak Grove Cemetery,
Hillsboro.

Van Reenen Funeral Home,
Marlinton was in charge of the
arrangements.

Craig P. Richardson

Craig Payne Richardson, 83, of Marlinton, died Wednesday, June 25, 1986, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital from heart failure.

Mr. Richardson retired several years ago from C. J. Richardson Hardware Store. He was a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church.

Born in Marlinton May 2, 1903, he was the son of the late C. F. and Annie Thomas Richardson.

Two brothers, Charles and Frank Richardson, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Gertrude G. Richardson; two daughters, Ann Golding Worthy, of Martinsville, Virginia, and Jenny Meseke, of Ellicott City, Maryland; six grandchildren, Martha, Francis, Elizabeth and Ray Worthy and Craig and Ellen Meseke; a brother, Jack Richardson, of Lewisburg, and three sisters, Pleas Richardson Campbell, of Huntington, Mary Richardson Davis and Ann Richardson, both of Marlinton.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday afternoon in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Robert Cruikshank, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Luther H. Shrader

Luther H. Shrader, 92, of Kingston Manor Nursing Home, formerly of 205 N. 7th Street, Wrightsville, Pennsylvania, died Thursday, December 17, 1987.

He was the husband of Margie C. Shrader.

Mr. Shrader was a veteran of World War I. He was born in Pocahontas County, the son of the late Willie and Julia Sharp Shrader.

He was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, York, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Shrader worked in the timber industry in Pocahontas County for many years and later worked as a construction foreman for the Pocahontas Construction Company of Lewisburg, until his retirement in 1960.

He is survived by his wife and one son, Rev. Julian H. Shrader, pastor of Grace United Methodist Church in Wrightsville, Pennsylvania; two grandsons, and two great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held at Grace United Methodist Church, Wrightsville, on December 19th, and an additional service was held at the Frost United Methodist Church on Monday, December 21. Officiating at both services was his pastor, Rev. Joseph L. Kugle.

Burial was in the family plot in Mountain View Cemetery, Marlinton.

Mrs. Genevieve F. Shaw
Mrs. Genevieve F. Sharp,
65, of 405 Maple Avenue,
Philippi, died at the Broadus
Hospital in Philippi on
Saturday, November 22,
1986.

She was born April 19,
1921, at Marlinton, a daughter
of the late Dee and Mary
Wilfong Friel.

On September 23, 1945,
she married Harold J. Shaw,
who survives.

Also surviving are one son,
John Dee Shaw, of
Bridgeport; one brother, Kerth
W. Friel, of Marlinton; two
sisters, Mrs. Sylvia Sharp, of
Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs.
Madeline Decker, of Altoona,
Pennsylvania.

She was preceded in death
by one brother, Marvin Friel.

Mrs. Shaw was a graduate
of the Fairmont State Nursing
College and was retired as
Barbour County Health Nurse.
She was a life member of
Barbour County PTA and a
member of the Crim Memorial
United Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held
on Tuesday from the Stemple
and Forman Funeral Home in
Philippi by the Rev. Howard
Ellifritz. Interment followed
in the Mount Vernon Memorial
Cemetery near Philippi.

SHARP

Hugh Emerson Sharp,
81, of Marlinton, died
Tuesday, Sept. 20, at
home after a short
illness.

Born at Fairview, Oct.
16, 1901, he was a son of
the late Hanson and
Margaret Irvine Sharp.

Mr. Sharp was a
member of the
Marlinton United
Methodist Church.

He was preceded in
death by three brothers.

Survivors include his
wife, Hycie Thomas
Sharp; two sons, Car-
men E. Sharp of
Marlinton and Harper
Thomas Calison of
Huntington; a daughter,
Jo Cameron Dilley of
Beckley; two sisters,
Hulda Friel and Grace
Dilley, both of Marlin-
ton; 10 grandchildren
and one great grand-
child.

Services will be
Friday at 2 p.m. in the
Marlinton United
Methodist Church with
the Rev. Robert
Cruikshank officiating.
Burial will be in the
Mountain View
Cemetery at Marlinton.

Friends may call
today after 2 p.m. at the
VanReenen Funeral
Home in Marlinton.

Henderson Sharp

Henderson W. Sharp, 99,
of Frost, died at his home
Tuesday, December 2, 1986.

He was a member of the
Frost United Methodist Church
and a retired farmer and
woodsman.

Mr. Sharp was born at
Frost and lived all his life
there. The son of the late
John Benjamin Franklin and
Mary Alice Gibson Sharp, he
was born March 3, 1887.

His wife, Leta Fertig Sharp,
died November 19, 1978.

Five children, Betty Sharp
Taylor, and four infant chil-
dren preceded him in death.

Surviving him are a
daughter, Maynell Sharp
Wooddell, of Frost, and two
sons, Samuel Newton Sharp,
of Covington, Virginia, and
Gayle W. Sharp, of Frost; five
grandchildren, eight great-
grandchildren, and two step-
grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.
m. Thursday in the Frost
United Methodist Church by
the Rev. Garland Groves and
Rev. David Rittenhouse, with
burial in the Sharp Cemetery.

Mrs. Gosha L. Sharp

Mrs. Gosha L. Sharp, 89, of
Rt. 1, Marlinton, died June 23,
1988, at her home at Fairview after
a long illness.

She was a member of Fairview
Methodist Church.

Born at Huntersville April 12,
1899, she was the daughter of
Michael and Mary Agnes Sharp
Underwood.

She was preceded in death by
her husband, Dency E. Sharp; three
brothers, Forest Underwood,
Penick Underwood, Lanty
Underwood; and two sisters, Lucy
Sharp and Pearl Sharp.

Surviving her are two sons,
Dency Sharp, Jr., of Canton, Ohio,
and Dice Sharp, of Stony Bottom;
five daughters, Georgia Hutchings,
of Austin, Texas, Violet R. Banton,
of Durbin, Mary Tersigni, of
Canton, Ohio, Betty McPeters and
Myra Blankenship, both of
Marlinton; 22 grandchildren; 23
great-grandchildren; and four
great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m.
Saturday at VanReenen Funeral
Home by the Rev. Norman
Alderman, with burial in Mountain
View Cemetery.

DEATHS

Mrs. Ruby Hill Sheets

Mrs. Ruby Alderman Hill Sheets, age 93, died Tuesday, June 2, 1987, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

She was a housewife and a member of the United Methodist Church.

Born in Burr Valley March 24, 1895, she was the daughter of George and Nevada Kellison Alderman.

Mrs. Sheets was preceded in death by her two husbands, Ellawood E. Hill and Edward C. Sheets; two sons, Paul and Murl; a sister, Edith Dean; and three brothers, Clive, Teddy and Neal Alderman.

Surviving her are her children, Joel Hill, of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Ward Hill, of LaPorte, Indiana, Melvin Hill, of Baltimore, Maryland, Lorraine Hill, of Hillsboro, Ruth Wright, of Aspers, Pennsylvania, Madeline Smith, of Littlestown, Pennsylvania, Dorothy Terlizzi, of Sacramento, California, Betty Silva, of Washington, D. C., Mary Ionescu, Chevy Chase, Maryland, and three stepdaughters, Gladys Casdorph, Charleston, Geraldine McLaughlin, Marlinton, and Ruth Beverage, Weston; three brothers, Norman Alderman and Ulric Alderman, of Marlinton, and Lawrence Alderman, of VanEtten, New York; one sister, Eula Underwood, Marlinton; 35 grandchildren, 52 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Norman Lee Alderman, with burial in Sunset Cemetery.



92nd Birthday

Mrs. Ruby Sheets, of Hillsboro, celebrated her 92nd Birthday as a patient in the Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Blanche Wymer baked and brought her an angel food birthday cake and her room was festive with flowers and the many cards she had received.

Mrs. Sheets was born March 24, 1895, in Burr Valley, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Alderman. She has outlived two husbands, Ellawood Hill and Edward Sheets.

Mrs. Sheets has nine children and three stepchildren living. Two sons are deceased: Paul Hill and Murl Hill. Those living are Joel Hill, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Ruth Wright, Bendersville, Pennsylvania, Ward Hill, LaPorte, Indiana, Madeline Smith, Littlestown, Pennsylvania, Dorothy Terilliz, Sacramento, California, Mary Ionescu, Chevy Chase, Maryland, Betty Silva, Washington, D. C., Lorraine Hill, Hillsboro, and Melvin Hill, Baltimore, Maryland, and stepdaughters, Gladys Casdorph, Charleston, Ruth Beverage, Weston, and Geraldine McLaughlin, Buckeye.

James P. Shisler

James (Jim) P. Shisler, 82, of Huntersville, died Monday, January 26, 1987, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Shisler was a retired school teacher and retired employee of West Virginia Department of Corrections.

He was a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and a member of the Masonic Lodge at Huntersville.

Born at Renick September 23, 1904, he was the son of William R. and Mary Pickering Shisler.

His wife, Bly Ann Dever Shisler, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his son, James W. Shisler, of Huntersville; a grandson, Michael Shisler; and two sisters, Allyne Shisler, of Lewisburg, and Susie Geyer, of Stuarts Draft, Virginia.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Wednesday in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Willis Cornelius, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.



Hanna--Scott

Gertrude Ellen Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scott, Sr., of Hillsboro, became the bride of Justin Dale Hanna, also of Hillsboro, on July 10, 1983, at Trinity Baptist Church, Buckeye. The double-ring ceremony was performed by Reverend Ron Branch. Wedding music was played by Mrs. Joy Ann Scott, sister-in-law of the bride.

The bride was escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father. She wore a Victorian style full length gown of white rose lace over an off-white inner gown. She carried a white lace fan with yellow and red silk roses with an off-white lace ribbon. Her veil was a halo of white silk roses with white tulle, made by her sister-in-law, Joy Scott.

The matron of honor, Mrs. Karen Campbell, of Ronceverte, sister of the bride, wore a white polyester dress with a lavender lace cape. She carried a bouquet of silk roses.

The bridesmaid was Miss Susan Scott, sister of the bride. She wore a long pink gown and carried a bouquet of pink silk roses.

The flower girl, Christine Campbell, niece of the bride, wore a light blue

dress. She carried a white crocheted lace basket trimmed with blue ribbon, made by the bride's mother, filled with red, pink, and white rose petals.

Justin wore a light blue tuxedo with a single red rose. Michael Roberts, of Renick, was best man. He wore a light blue suit and a yellow silk rose. Usher LeRoy Evans, friend of the groom. He wore a navy suit with a red silk rose.

The ringbearer was Joe Hanna, nephew of the groom. He carried a white heart-shaped pillow trimmed with white lace, made by the bride's mother.

The reception was held on the lawn of the bride's home. The three-tier wedding cake was decorated with yellow roses and the traditional bride and groom. It was made by the mother of the bride and her sisters.

Out of town guests were Mrs. Gertrude King, Lewisburg, grandmother of the bride, George Lay, Glen Burnie, Maryland, uncle of the bride; David North, Colorado Springs, Colorado, cousin of the bride; Larry Miller and Mrs. Bas Coleman, Lewisburg.

The couple now reside in Takoma Park, Maryland.

Ruth M. Spencer

Ruth Moore White Spencer, 93, of Chester, Maryland, formerly of Hillsboro, died Thursday, January 15, 1987, in Hudson, Illinois, at the home of her son, Harold Spencer, from heart failure.

Born December 9, 1893, in Lewisburg, she was the daughter of the late Francis Marion and Louella Jane Cecil Moore White.

Mrs. Spencer taught school in Pocahontas County for eight years, at Woodrow, West Union, Indian Draft, Ruckman School, and Seebert, before moving to Chester, Maryland; she was a retired employee of Woodward Lothrop Department Store in Washington, D. C. She was a member of the Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Spencer, in 1980, one daughter, Juanita Spencer, in 1986, a sister, Edna White Duncan, in 1919, and a brother, Frank White, in 1896.

Surviving her are a son, Harold Spencer, of Hudson, Illinois, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, and a niece, Mabel Gay, of Edray.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Kenny Stevenson, with burial in the Mountain View Cemetery, Marlinton.

DIED

Mrs. Linnie Lee Moore Tyler died at her home at Edray last Thursday noon, January 8, 1925. A few hours before her death she was paralyzed. for some weeks she had been sick, but she seemed to be recovering and was feeling much better when the stroke came. Her age was 47 years, four months and nine days, having been September 29, 1877. Burial at the Edray cemetery, on Saturday afternoon. The services were conducted from the Edray church by Rev. Nelson S. Hill.

Mrs. Tyler was the wife of George Tyler, who died about seventeen years ago. Their children are Mirl and Mamie both at home. The deceased was a daughter of the late Jacob Moore of Elk. Among her surviving sisters are Mrs. Thomas Malcomb, of Knapps Creek; Mrs. Lake Dunsmore, of Monroe county; Margaret, of Tennessee; Wilda, of Ohio, and Pearl of California.

Mrs. Tyler was a professed follower of Christ. She was a useful woman who led a quiet home life.

We wish to thank our friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and at the death of our dear mother.

Mirl and Mamie Tyler.

Mrs. Rachel Moore Kee, widow of the late George M. Kee, died at her home near Marlinton early Monday morning, January 12, 1925. While she has been in failing health for a number of years, her death was wholly unexpected by her family and friends.

Mrs. Kee was 70 years of age, having been born February 15, 1855. Her body was buried in the Buckley graveyard by the side of her husband who preceded her less than a year ago. The services were conducted from her late home by Rev. Graham Wood, pastor of the Huntersville Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Kee was the daughter of the late James and Anne McNeil Moore, of near Marlinton. The surviving members of this family are John Register Moore and William Nelson Moore. Her surviving children are Clarence, and J. Early Kee; Mrs. Mary Hoover and Mrs. Allan Blackburs. Three daughters, Lula, Beatrice and Willetta, are dead.

Mrs. Kee was a most useful woman: a loving mother and a faithful wife and helpmeet. For a life time she had been a professing christian and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Roy VanReenan

Mrs. Lillian Fowler VanReenan, 81, of Marlinton, died Tuesday, February 19, 1985, in Pocahontas Continuous Care Center after a long illness.

She was a retired school teacher and nurse. She was a member of the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church at Hillsboro.

She was born at Hillsboro June 14, 1903, the daughter of Winters Jennings and Margaret Friel Fowler.

Surviving her are her husband, Roy; a son, Eddie Van Reenan, of Marlinton, and a daughter, Eleanor Sue Shifflett, of Bayard; two brothers, Patrick Fowler, of Baltimore, Maryland, and Virgil Fowler, of Hillsboro; two sisters, Eva Butts, of Atwater, California, and Veda Jarvis, of Rochester, New York; and one grandson.

Services will be held at 1 p. m. Thursday in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. B. B. Mitcham with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery at Hillsboro.

Mrs. Maggie VanReenen

Mrs. Maggie Baxter VanReenen, 89, of Marlinton, died Thursday, April 19, 1984, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital. She had been in ill health for five years.

She was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Born November 18, 1894, in Hightown, Virginia, she was the daughter of Henry and Minnie Hevener.

Preceding her in death were her first husband, Elmer Baxter, a son, Clark Baxter, an infant daughter, her second husband, William VanReenen, and two sisters, Jennie Sampson and Marietta Hevener.

She is survived by two brothers, George Hevener, of Monterey, Virginia, Roy Hevener, of Waynesboro, Virginia; three sisters, Cora Hull, of Harrisonburg, Virginia, Gladys Hull, of Callaghan, Virginia, and Margie Byrd, of Hightown, Virginia; and a daughter-in-law, Ethel Rose, of Marlinton.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Saturday in VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Richard Newkirk, with burial in Cochran Cemetery.

BUILDERS HARDWARE

DEATHS

Mrs. Nellie E. Williams

Mrs. Nellie E. Williams, 85, of Marlinton, died Sunday, July 12, 1987, in Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia. She suffered a stroke on Wednesday night.

Mrs. Williams was a homemaker and a former teacher in Pocahontas County schools, having taught at West Union, Dry Creek on Swago, and Grimes School on Stamping Creek. She was a member of the VFW Auxiliary, Marlinton Chapter #97, Order of Eastern Star, Marlinton Homemakers Extension Club, Marlinton Senior Citizens, Marlinton AARP, Pocahontas County Historical Society, and United Methodist Women. She was State Treasurer of the TB Association for many years and was active in the county organization. She was a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church.

The daughter of Averill Porter Kellison and Clair Garrett Kellison, she was born November 7, 1901, on Spruce Flats.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, Fred J. Hefner and Dyrilia W. Williams; a son, John R. (Chipper) Williams; a stepdaughter, Marguerite Doig; and three brothers, John Ray Kellison, Clarence Kellison and Forrest G. Kellison.

Surviving her are a stepdaughter, Libby Rexrode, of Marlinton, and a sister, Susie A. Rogers, of Buckeye.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday at the VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Robert Cruikshank, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery. Eastern Star services were held Tuesday night.

Agreement Reached in Wigal Case

At a special meeting Monday night the Board of Education very reluctantly decided that it was in the best interest of the school system to agree to a settlement with Grace Jane Wigal and not pursue an appeal of an order to re-instate her as a teacher and give her back pay. The order was made by a hearing examiner for the W. Va. Employees Grievance Board in October.

This situation goes back to September 1983 when Mrs. Wigal and her husband were charged with cultivating marijuana on their land near Clawson. Mrs. Wigal was never prosecuted by either state or federal authorities in return for her cooperation with the federal investigation into the case and certain other conditions. After being suspended from her teaching position at PCHS for over two years, she was dismissed in April 1986. She then filed a grievance which led to the ruling in her favor. The Board of Education voted in November to appeal the ruling to the Circuit Court, but changed this decision on Monday.

By a vote of 4 to 1, the Board agreed to the following settlement with Mrs. Wigal

- she will be paid \$25,000 to settle all her claims against the Board

- she will be re-instated as a teacher in the county.

In return Mrs. Wigal will:

- will resign immediately as a teacher

- never seek employment with the Pocahontas County schools again in any capacity.

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Also in this agreement, former Pocahontas County Prosecuting Attorney Steve Hunter agreed that the state would not charge Mrs. Wigal for any crimes coming from the marijuana growing. However, the agreement did not mention anything concerning Mrs. Wigal's teaching position.

Board members said that they were not informed at the time of the state's agreement not to prosecute Mrs. Wigal.

In making the decision to reach a settlement with Mrs. Wigal, Board members also express great concern at what the final cost to the school system would be if Mrs. Wigal finally won. To date the back pay comes to \$103,000 and the case could go on for another year or more before being finally settled by the courts. Several Board members felt they could not gamble with this amount of money that belongs to the students of the county, regardless of their feeling that it is wrong for Mrs. Wigal to get any money from the county.

The fact that state aid to the county could be as much as \$275,000 less in the coming year due to declining enrollment made the Board even more concerned about a possible large payment to Mrs. Wigal.

Those voting in favor of the motion to settle with Mrs. Wigal were Carolyn Burns, Leonard Howell, Gibbs Kinderman, and Stanley McNeill. Everett Dilley cast the dissenting vote. Mr. Dilley said that he feels settling with Mrs. Wigal implies the Board was wrong and this he believes is certainly not the case.

Agustus Hamilton Walton
Agustus (Gus) H. Walton, of
Altoona, Florida, died at the
Waterman Medical Center,
Eustis, Florida, on December
11, 1985, after a long illness.

Born March 21, 1908, at
Lobelia, he was a son of the
late N. E. and Ellen E. Walton.
He moved from Lobelia in
1970 to Altoona, Florida.

He was a retired school bus
driver, a member of the
Altoona United Methodist
Church, a Mason, a member of
the Order of the Eastern Star
and the Ham Radio Club of
Tavares.

Surviving are his wife,
Lillian; sons, Donald E.
Walton, of Mount Dora,
Florida, Edward L. Walton, of
Eustis, Florida; stepdaughter,
Olive Deloris Hill, of
Hillsboro; brother, Lodge L.
Walton, and sister, Helen H.
Walton, both of Hillsboro; and
nine grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.
m. on December 13, 1985, at
Byers Funeral Chapel in
Umatilla, Florida by the Rev.
Ronald E. Holder and Pastor
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Frances E. Robinson

Frances Elizabeth Robinson, age 67, of Marlinton, died at home on Sunday, August 6, 2000, after a short illness with cancer.

She was the office manager for Pocahontas Foodland for 24 years.

Born September 28, 1932, at Marion, Virginia, she was the daughter of the late Preston Eugene and Pheoba Jane Adams Brown.

On April 12, 1957, she was married to Merle Andrew Robinson, in Essex, Maryland; he died August 9, 1987. Also preceding her in death were two sisters, Jean Wymer and Irene Parks, and a grandson, Brandon Dale Robinson.

Surviving her are two daughters, Betty J. Cochran, of Marlinton, and Sheila Russell, of Morgantown; four sons, Charles Robinson, Thomas Robinson, and Gerald Robinson, all of Marlinton, and Douglas Robinson, of White Sulphur Springs; a sister, Louise Richardson, of Bel Air, Maryland; two brothers, Bill Brown, of Marion, Virginia, and Garris Brown, of Lenoir, North Carolina; a half-brother, Ray, of Aiken, South Carolina; twelve grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Marlinton Church of the Nazarene by the Rev. Jerry Moore. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery at Hillsboro.

DEATHS**Eskell L. Rudd**

Eskell Lewis Rudd, age 84, of Hillsboro, died September 29, 1999, in Alleghany Regional Hospital, Low Moor, Virginia, after a long illness.

She was born at Spring Creek, the daughter of the late William and Lillie Roberts Lewis.

She was a homemaker and a retired nurse's aide at Denmar State Hospital.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Rudd; two sons, Vaughan and Lawrence Rudd; three brothers, Tom, Delbert and Gail Lewis; and a sister, Temple Baldwin.

She is survived by four daughters, Anna Keene, of Renick, Velma Lewis, of Droop, Faye Tuncalp, of Palm Springs, California, Frances Kerns, of Hillsboro; seven sons, Vernon, of Bradford, Pennsylvania, Darrell and Delbert "Tim," both of Richwood, Dallas, of Hillsboro, Harold, of Las Vegas, Summers, of Bangor, Michigan, and Douglas, of Germany; two sisters, Miriam Roberts, of Marlinton, and Lennie Roberts, of Lebanon, Virginia; 29 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Service was held Saturday at Morgan Funeral Home, Lewisburg, with the Rev. Jack Burks officiating. Burial was in Sharp Cemetery on Stamping Creek.

Melvin I. Rehm

Melvin Ira Rehm, 79, of Renick, died Thursday, August 24, 1995, at home, after a long illness.

He was a former truck driver for Denmar Hospital, and was a Presbyterian.

Surviving him are his wife, Lillie Barrett Rehm; daughters, Rose Hamons, of Droop Mountain, Beverly Frazer and Wanda Coulter, both of Renick; step-sons, Larry, Ronnie and Bobby, all of Maryland; step-daughter, Joyce Ballard, of Virginia; 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Sunday at Jack K. Wallace Funeral Home in Lewisburg by the Rev. Gail Cutlip. Burial was in Morningside Cemetery at Renick.

DEATHS**Phyllis Sheets Robeck**

Phyllis Sheets Robeck died on Friday, May 12, 2000, in Vista, California, after a long illness.

Her parents were the late Edna Lynch Sheets and Carl Lynn Sheets.

She was a graduate of Marlinton High School, Class of 1939, and Strayer Business College in Washington, D. C. She served in the WACS in World War II.

Her husband, Leif Robeck, and a sister, Polly Tesso, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are one son, John McLean, who lives in Ocean Side, California, and two daughters, Joanne Martin, who lives in San Diego, California, and Jennifer McLean, who lives in Rockville, Maryland; a brother, Harry L. Sheets, of Marlinton; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery on May 23, at 2 p. m. with graveside rites.

BIRTH

John and Jennifer Ryder, of Huntersville, are proud to announce the birth a daughter, Katlyn ReShelle, on April 29, 1998, in the Davis Memorial Hospital. Kadie weighed 9 pounds and measured 22 inches.

She has a brother, Cole Wesley Ryder.

Maternal grandparents are the late Earl and Monna Sutton.

Paternal grandparents are Shelby Jean Ryder, of Huntersville, and Bill Ryder, also of Huntersville. Paternal great-grandmother is Zekla Ryder, of Douthards Creek.

The mother is the former Jennifer Lynn Sutton.

Glenn Rucker

James Glenn Rucker, age 86, of Marlinton, died Sunday, August 6, 2000, at home.

Mr. Rucker was a former leather hanger at the Marlinton Tannery of International Shoe Company and had worked at the Marlinton Post Office and the Pocahontas County Court House. He served in the Army in World War II.

The son of the late Adrian and Margaret Ervin Rucker, he was born at Buckeye November 6, 1913.

Preceding him in death were an infant son; a daughter, Patricia Ann Aliff, and her son, Randy, and daughter, Kelly Boger; and his brother, Lynn Rucker.

Surviving him are his wife, Flossie Underwood Rucker; a sister, Elizabeth Sharp, of Baltimore, Maryland; one grandchild and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday noon at VanReenen Funeral Home Chapel by Earl D. "Butch" Michael. Burial was in Mountain View Cemetery.

Chris Merle Ryder

Chris Merle Ryder, age 88, of Marlinton, died June 4, 1995, at his home after a short illness.

He was a retired oil wheel operator from International Shoe Company.

Born in Burr Valley January 28, 1907, he was the son of George W. and Margaret Ramsey.

His wife, Bessie Arnold Ryder, and a daughter, Marie, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are a son, William W. Ryder, of Marlinton; two daughters, Marilyn Alvaro, of Fairmont, and Vicki Parker, of Marlinton; a brother, Oliver Ryder, of Mountain Grove, Virginia; two sisters, Mabel Cundiff, of Landenburg, Pennsylvania, and Opal Simpson, of Cumberland, Maryland; eight grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Norman Lee Alderman, with burial in Mountain Grove Cemetery.

Rachel McNeil Robinson

Rachel McNeil Robinson, 92, of Lexington, Virginia, died February 19, 1985, at her home.

A former public health nurse, she was the daughter of John Adam and Emma Moore McCowen McNeil [McNeil] and granddaughter of Col. Paul and Rachel Cameron See McNeil. She was a sister of the late Agnes Cackley, of Mill Point. Her husband, W. E. Robinson, preceded her in death.

Baby Glory Shea Ryder

Glory Shea Ryder, age three months, died Saturday, October 10, 1998, in Roanoke Memorial Hospital, Roanoke, Virginia.

She was born in Virginia Beach, Virginia, July 7, 1998, the daughter of James G. and Sonia Tyler Ryder, of Marlinton.

In addition to her parents, survivors include her paternal grandparents, Perry and Joyce Markley Ryder, of Marlinton; maternal grandparents, James and Barbara Tyler, of Raleigh, North Carolina; paternal great-grandmother, Mary Alderman, of Marlinton; and maternal great-grandfather, Jimmy Lovick, of Raleigh, and great-great-grandmother, Eunice Greene.

Graveside services were held at noon Tuesday in Wade Cemetery, Minnehaha Springs.

Justin Gregory Riffe would like to announce the birth of his sister, Brooke Allison Riffe, born March 16, at 12:50 p.m. in the Davis Memorial Hospital. She weighed 9 pounds, 10 ounces, and is their second child. The parents are Greg and Barbara Riffe, of Bartow.

Maternal grandparents are Sherman and Sharon Cutright, of Huttonsville.

Paternal grandparents are Rufus and Lavada Riffe, of War.

DEATHS**Henry W. Rogers**

Henry W. Rogers, age 93, of Greensboro, North Carolina, died November 16, 1998. He was a native of Hillsboro and brother of Mrs. Dan (Emma) Skaggs, of Marlinton.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Riffe, of Bartow, announce the birth of a daughter, Brooke Allison Riffe. She was born March 16, 1995, at 12:50 p. m. at Davis Memorial Hospital, Elkins.

Brooke has one brother, Justin.

DEATHS**Mrs. Verdie Rose**

Mrs. Verdie Rose died Tuesday night in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

The body is at VanReenan Funeral Home but no arrangements have been made at press time.

Lanty W. Rose

Lanty Winters Rose, age 70, of Hillsboro, died Tuesday, February 1, 2000, of an apparent heart attack.

He was born May 19, 1929, at Caesar Mountain, the son of the late Lon and Jessie Ellen Scott Rose.

He served in the United States Army, attended Glenville State College and graduated from West Virginia University with a degree in Physical Education and Social Studies. He taught for five years in Maryland. Returning to West Virginia, he worked as a logger and farmer for many years, while also working as a Social Worker with the West Virginia Department of Human Services until retiring. He was a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church and a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Rose is survived by his wife of forty years, Reta Morrison Rose; two sons, Gregory and Bruce Rose, both of Marlinton; one granddaughter; two brothers, Leroy Rose, of Hillsboro, and Thomas Rose, of Feasterville, Pennsylvania; and three sisters, Alice Rose Bradley, of Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, Clarice Jean Rose, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Jerry Rose Weiser, of Croydon, Pennsylvania.

A sister, Lucille Rose Myers, is deceased.

Visitation will be 6 to 9 Wednesday at VanReenen's Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, Hillsboro, at 1 p. m. Thursday by the Rev. Phyllis Cox. Burial will be in Emmanuel Cemetery on Bruffey's Creek.

Henry R. Ring

Henry R. Ring, age 86, of St. Albans, died Monday, May 27, 1996, in Wetzel County Hospital at New Martinsville.

He was a 50-year member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church. He was retired from Union Carbide, South Charleston, and was a member of Washington Masonic Lodge 58, Royal Arch Masons, Beni Kedem Temple, and Nitro Moose Lodge 565.

Surviving him are daughters, Mary R. Mitchell, Bridgeport, Virginia R. Billings, Ashland, Kentucky, Julie R. Coalter, of West Java, Indonesia; sons, Herman H. Ring, of Pine Grove, Harry R. Ring, of St. Albans, and David N. Ring, of Minnehaha Springs; 18 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Friday at St. Andrew United Methodist Church by the Rev. Ed Tutwiler. Entombment was in Cunningham Memorial Park Upper Mausoleum with Masonic rites.

Ben Rexrode

Ben Rexrode, age 79, of Bartow, died Sunday, August 13, 1995, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins, following a long illness.

Mr. Rexrode was a World War II Navy veteran, a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a member of the Moose Lodge.

Born July 13, 1916, at Boyer, he was a son of the late John and Mary Wilfong Rexrode.

Two sons, Jackie Lee and Terry Wayne Rexrode, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Shirley Jane Teter Rexrode; three daughters, Donna Nelson, of Bartow, Debbie Wegman, of Frank, and Diana Sheets, of Durbin; three sons, James Randolph Rexrode, Ben E. Rexrode, and Danny Rexrode, all of Durbin; two sisters, Madeline Lambert, of Mill Creek, and Mary Louise McNeil, of Staunton, Virginia; two half-brothers, Richard E. Hedrick, of Thornwood, and Sellish Hedrick, of Spartansburg, South Carolina; 19 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday in the Wallace and Wallace Funeral Chapel in Arbovale by the Rev. Harold Swecker, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Edward W. Rexrode

Edward William Rexrode, age 86, of Marlinton, died Saturday, July 1, 1995, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Rexrode was a former Mayor of the Town of Marlinton, a Chevrolet dealer, and bookkeeper. One accomplishment he was most proud of was the development of the perpetual care plan for Mountain View Cemetery. He was a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church and Marlinton Masonic Lodge and was a former Boy Scout leader. He attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Born September 27, 1908, at Marlinton, he was the son of the late Stanley J. and Eva Brill Rexrode.

Surviving him are his wife, Libby Williams Rexrode; three daughters, Sally Hiner, of Norfolk, Virginia, Jane Sowers, of New Market, Maryland, and Sue Bowers, of San Diego, California; two sisters, Naomi Holy, of Dallas, Texas, and Virginia Myles, of Elkins; nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Monday at VanReenan Funeral Home by the Rev. Karen Brown, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

DEATHS

Norma McElwee Ralston

Norma McElwee Ralston, age 89, of Marlinton, died Friday, November 14, 1997, in Pocahontas Continuous Care Center.

Mrs. Ralston and her husband, Joe, owned and operated The Men's Shop in Marlinton for many years. She was a member of the Marlinton United Methodist Church.

She was born at Marlinton August 16, 1908, the daughter of Richard Howard and Edna Buzzard McElwee.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Joe Ralston; her parents; two sisters, Elizabeth McElwee Richardson and Glenna McElwee Booth; two brothers, Theodore "Ted" McElwee and Richard "Dick" McElwee.

Surviving her are her daughter, Sue Ann Thomas, of Ortonville, Michigan; a brother, Robert L. "Bay" McElwee, of Marlinton; a sister, Nell McElwee East, of Charleston; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Dennis Mehaffie and the Rev. Randall Benson, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the Marlinton United Methodist Church.

Arlie Rexrode, Jr.

Arlie Rexrode, Jr., age 67, of Durbin, died Friday, June 20, 1997, at Davis Memorial Hospital, Elkins, following a long illness.

Mr. Rexrode was a retired electrician for C. E. Basic, Inc., of Mapel Grove, Ohio, and served in the Coast Guard.

He was born May 13, 1930, at Durbin, the son of the late Arlie John and Ethel Lantz Rexrode.

Survivors include his wife, Almeda Kolarik Rexorde, of Durbin; three daughters, Margaret Stull, of Fort Seneca, Ohio, Judith Rexrode, of Fostoria, Ohio, and Melissa Rexrode, of Ravenna, Ohio; a son, Kevin Rexrode, of Findlay, Ohio; and four

grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale by the Rev. Donnie Curry. Burial was in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Virginia T. Rexrode

Virginia T. Rexrode, age 70, of Elkridge, Maryland, formerly of Bartow, died October 22, 1998, at home after a long illness.

Born on December 26, 1927, she was the daughter of Frank and Madge Lantz Townsend.

She was a member of Faith Bible Church and was a key punch operator.

Surviving her are her husband, Guy H. Rexrode; a daughter, Debra Denise Rexrode, of Elkridge; two sons, Ronald Eugene Rexrode, of Glen Burnie, Maryland, and Donald James Rexrode, of Arnold, Maryland; a sister, Joanne Kwedar, of Elkridge; and one grandchild.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home at Arbovale by the Rev. David Rittenhouse. Burial was in the Arbovale Cemetery.

R. W. Ryder, Sr.

Robert Warren Ryder, Sr., 76, of Waynesboro, Virginia, died Tuesday, April 23, 1996, at his residence.

He was born in Blue Grass, Virginia, a son of Don and Delana Lightner Ryder.

He was a graduate of Green Bank High School, an Army veteran, member of Virginia Chapter 16 of the Disabled American Veterans for 23 years, and a member of Second Presbyterian Church. He was retired from Millwrights and Machinery Erectors of Richmond, Virginia, having worked at the North Anna Plant.

Surviving are his widow, Ruth Worth Ryder; a son, Robert W. Ryder, Jr., of Waynesboro; three brothers, Alfred B. Ryder, of Staunton, Virginia, Algernon, of Earlymart, California, and J. D.

George S. Robinson, Jr.

George S. Robinson, Jr., age 67, of Mammoth, died August 21, 1998, at his camp in the Cass/Green Bank area, after an apparent heart attack.

He was a retired area supervisor for Union Carbide, South Charleston Plant, where he worked in the instrument and electrical department, with 34 years' service, and was a Baptist. He was an Army Veteran of the Korean War.

Surviving him are his wife, Betty L. Daniels Robinson; sons, Lannie, of Charleston, Dennis, of Belle; a brother, Harold D. Robinson, of Summerville, South Carolina; a sister, Janet F. Lewis, of East Bank; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday morning at Cooke Funeral Home, Cedar Grove, by the Rev. Jim Hill. Burial with military honors was in Kanawha Valley Memorial Gardens, Glasgow.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Steven Rodriguez, of Marlinton, announce the birth of a daughter, born August 19, 1998, at 3:40 p.m., in Davis Memorial Hospital. The infant weighed 4 pounds, 11 ounces, and has been named Candra Dale Rodriguez. This is their second child. The mother is the former Angela Michelle Smith.

Samuel H. Ray

Samuel H. Ray, age 41, of Hot Springs, Virginia, died Thursday, February 19, 1998, at Bath County, Community Hospital in Hot Springs.

He was born April 9, 1956, at Marlinton, the son of Dewey Harlan Ray and Georgia Grimes Ray Helmick.

He attended Life Line Ministries Church.

He is survived by his wife, Donna Ray, of Hot Springs, and two daughters, Malissa Ray, at home, and Amanda Ray, of Staunton; three sisters, Jean Grimes, of White Sulphur Springs, Ruth Adkins, of Cherry Grove, and Patty Lipscomb, of Stafford, Virginia; and two brothers, Earl Grimes, of Pennsylvania and Dennie Ray, of Verona, Virginia.

He is preceded in death by a son, Bobby Ray.

A graveside service was conducted February 21, at 11 a.m. in the Cleek Cemetery by the Reverend Frankie Neff.

Beulah Jane Rhea

Beulah Jane Galford Rhea, age 91, of Slaty Fork, died Wednesday, May 28, 1997, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She was a Methodist.

Born July 4, 1905, at Slaty Fork, she was the daughter of the late Samuel C. and Minnie Kramer Galford.

Her husband, James H. Rhea, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are her daughter, Glenna Jean Calhoun, of Marlinton; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Saturday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Jay Hicks. Burial was in Mountain View Cemetery.

George Edward Riley

George Edward Riley, age 79, of San Ramon, California, died June 23, 1997, at San Ramon Regional Medical Center.

He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II through the invasion of Iwo Jima and Okinawa; worked for Ohio Valley Bus company in Huntington from 1943-1958; and retired from San Francisco Municipal Railway after 22 years from October 1958 to October 1980.

Surviving him are his wife of 56 years, Eva Mae Riley, of San Ramon; two sons, Edward M. Riley, of Newnan, Georgia, and M. Daniel Riley, of San Ramon; a daughter, Rosetta M. Jenneiahn, of San Ramon; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Anna Mae Boothe, of Durbin, is a sister-in-law, and Branson Thompson, of Durbin, is his step-father-in-law.

Funeral services were held Thursday, June 26, at 11 a. m. at Graham-Hitch Mortuary, with burial in San Joaquin National Cemetery, Gustine, California with military honors.

BIRTHS

Chris, Kim and Cassidy Rao, of Marlinton, are proud to announce the birth of Matthew Joseph Rao.

Matthew was born on February 27, 1998, at 10:25 a.m. at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins. He weighed 9 pounds, 1 1/2 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Robert Miller, of Edray, and the late Cloay Ellen Miller.

Paternal grandparents are George and Virginia Rao, of New Jersey. Great-grandmother is Frances Godwin, of Valley Bend.

DEA

Violee Defibaugh Ray

Violee Defibaugh Ray, age 75, of Elk Mountain, died Saturday, December 27, 1997, at her home.

She was born May 20, 1922, at Trammel, Virginia, the daughter of Ernest D. Defibaugh and Mary Hannah Susan Sharp.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two sons, Ernest C. Ray, Delbert C. Ray, and three stillborn children, six brothers, Harry L. Sharp, Odell Sharp, Sterling Defibaugh, Marquis "Ben" Defibaugh, Andy Defibaugh and Delbert Defibaugh.

She is survived by eleven daughters, Helen L. Keegan, of Baltimore, Maryland, Virginia G. Wilcox, of Twin Falls, Idaho, Mary E. Holloway, of Lewiston, Idaho, Darlene H. Cassell, of Cass, Frances R. Tawney, of Buckeye, Margaret A. Corbett, Sally K. Gibson, Ernestine S. Hannah, Barbara L. Gragg, Della M. Rider, all of Marlinton, and Nellie N. Ray, living at home; four sons, Jacob B. Ray, of Forest City, North Carolina, Ronald B. Ray, of Twin Falls, Idaho, Johnny C. Ray, of Mountain Grove, Virginia, Charles W. Ray, living at home; one brother, Wilson "Bill" Defibaugh, and one sister, Erma Simmons, both of Marlinton; 48 grandchildren, 70 great-grandchildren, five great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday, December 30, at VanReenen Funeral Home by Rev. Billy Webb with burial at Clawson Cemetery.

Mary E. Rose

Mary E. Rose, 75, of Hampton, Virginia, died Saturday, May 18, 1996.

A native of Marlinton, she had been a Peninsula resident since 1940.

Survivors include her daughter, Viola Lee Shiveley, of Yuma, Arizona; her son, Franklin K. Ward, of Newport News, Virginia; four sisters, Ruth Friel and Nellie Dean, both of Marlinton, Jean Whitmire, of Trenton, New Jersey, and Betty Baker, of Jacksonville, Florida; two brothers, Luther Bright, of Marlinton, and Robert Bright, of Mingo; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by

Tony Angelo Ricottilli

Tony Angelo Ricottilli, age 61, of Beard Heights, Marlinton, died Sunday, October 25, 1998, at Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Ricottilli was owner of Rustic Fence Company, and a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church. He was Chief of the Marlinton Volunteer Fire Department.

Born at Talbott on June 14, 1937, he was the son of Panfilo and Giovanna Centofanti Ricottilli.

His parents, a sister, Fiorina Ricottilli, and three brothers, Lavoria, Joseph and Albert Ricottilli, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Lynda Lantz Ricottilli; a daughter, Brenda Kay Dille, of Dunmore; a son, Melvin Jeffrey Ricottilli, of Marlinton; four sisters, Lucy Palnisano, of Elkins, Amelia Derico, of Buckhannon, Adeline Regester, of Moorefield, and Virginia Rydzak, of Washington, Pennsylvania; five brothers, Armand Ricottilli, of Kingsville, Patsy Ricottilli, Dominick Ricottilli, of Belington, and Carlo Ricottilli, of Montrose; and three grandchildren.

Visitation was on Tuesday in Marlinton. Funeral services were held at noon Wednesday at St. Patrick's Catholic Church at Coalton by Father George Manjaji and Father Roy Schuster. Burial was at Kingsville Catholic Cemetery, Kingsville.

Memorial gifts may be given to Marlinton Volunteer Fire Department.

Stewart L. Swink

Stewart L. Swink, 70, of Cass, died Thursday, May 23, 1996, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital following a sudden illness.

Mr. Swink was born May 10, 1926, at Cass, the son of the late Charles L. and Ruth Tallman Swink.

He was a lifelong resident of Cass and attended Cass United Methodist Church. He was a farmer.

Mr. Swink is survived by his wife, Betty Pennington Swink; one daughter, Veronica Swink, of Cass; and one sister, Faye Brockwell, of Durham, North Carolina.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Wallace and Wallace Funeral Chapel at Arbovale by the Rev. David Fuller, with burial in the Wanless Cemetery near Cass.

Nina L. Roberts

Nina L. Roberts, age 64, of Valley Head, died Tuesday, October 21, 1997, at home after a long illness.

She was a member of Brady Gate Community Church, a retired housekeeper for Snowshoe Resort, and a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Clyde W., sons, William S. "Bill" Roberts, of Elkins; Jeffrey C. Roberts, of Valley Head; daughters, Jo Ann Lindsay and Sandra Arbogast, both of Valley Head; Colleen Vandevander, of Mingo; Jackie Plymale, of Orrville, Ohio; brothers, Donald Bragg, of Upper Glade; Harry Bragg, of Cowen; Homer Bragg, of Sutton; sister, Eilene Wayne, of Cowen; 13 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

Service was held Friday at Adams Funeral Chapel, Cowen, with the Rev. Curt Davis and the Rev. Sam Gray. Burial was held in Bragg Run Cemetery, Boggs.

Ted Reed

Ted Reed, age 81, of Camden, New Jersey, died March 2, 1996, in Maple Shade, New Jersey, after a long illness.

Mr. Reed was a merchant and served in the Army in World War II.

A native of Huntersville, he was born February 21, 1915, the son of James A. and Allie Nancy Underwood Reed.

His parents, three brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Marian Simoncick Reed; three sons, John Reed, of California, Jim and Bill Reed, both of Colorado; three brothers, Lake Reed, of Marlinton, Carl Reed, of Roanoke, Virginia, and Paul Reed, at home; and two sisters, Shirley May McCoy and Lynette U. Reed, both of Marlinton.

A memorial service will be held at Camden at a later date.

Wilma Rader

Wilma Rader, age 89, formerly of Marlinton, died June 25, 1997, at the home of her daughter and son-in-law of Litchfield Park, Arizona. She was born October 31, 1907, at Mingo, the daughter of Clayton and Alice Riggleman Conrad.

She was married to Kenneth Rader, who preceded her in death; also two brothers.

She is survived by one daughter, Myrtle Stalnaker, one grandson, two great-granddaughters, three sisters and five brothers.

At the request of the deceased the body was cremated and the remains will be interred in the Mingo Cemetery prior to the memorial service.

Memorial services will be held on July 19, at 2 p.m. at the Valley Head Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to your favorite charity.

Andrew J. Roberts

Andrew J. "Jack" Roberts, 87, of Huntington, died March 6, 1998, in St. Mary's Hospital.

He was born on January 18, 1911, in Lynchburg, Virginia, the son of C. B. and Gracie Branham Roberts.

Mr. Roberts was a retired employee of INCO Alloys, retiring in 1972 after 31 years of service. He was a member of the Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Eleanor Herold Roberts,

formerly of Minnehaha Springs; one daughter, Carole R. Odum, of Huntington; one son, Jim Roberts, of Huntington; one sister, Maggie Robertson, of Proctorville, Ohio; two brothers, Jesse Roberts, of Tampa, Florida, and Kenneth Roberts, of Calabash, North Carolina; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sisters and six brothers.

Services were held on March 9 at Beard Mortuary with the Rev. John Riley officiating. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

Hazel Elizabeth Russell

Mrs. Hazel Elizabeth Russell, age 87, of Barboursville, died Thursday, August 28, 1997, at Cabell Huntington Hospital.

She was born July 20, 1910, in Marlinton, a daughter of the late Paul W. and Mary Catherine Sharp. She was a retired bookkeeper for the Huntington News Agency and was a member of Good Samaritan United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Homer Alfred Russell; a daughter, Dr. Movita Ellcessor Pickens; a step-son, Paul Russell; two sisters, Sylvia Moore and Pauline Wood; and four brothers, Charles, Lanty, Layton, and Oscar Sharp.

Survivors include one daughter, Bonita Dowis, of Huntington; one step-daughter, Carol Fenton, of San Diego, California; two step-sons, Robert Russell, of Homosassa, Florida, and Charles Russell, of Cincinnati, Ohio; three sisters, Nell VanReenan, of Tucson, Arizona, Marlee Curry, of Marlinton, and Nina June Waybright, of Bluefield; one brother, Austin Sharp, of Marlinton; six grandchildren and nine step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 p.m. Sunday, August 31, at Chapman's Mortuary, Huntington, by Dr. Forest Cummings. Burial was in Forest Lawn Memorial Gardens, Huntington.

Tim and Amy Raley wish to announce the birth of their daughter, Kacie Lea Raley, on June 15, 1998, at 4:23 a.m. She was 20 inches long and weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

Kacie has a sister, Kayla Zay.

Paternal grandparents are Bill and Donna Raley, of Westover. Maternal grandparents are Quincy and Peggy McMillion, of Buckeye, and Phyllis McMillion, of Monterey, Virginia.

Kenny and Felicia Ramsey, of Scott Depot, received an early arrival when Felicia developed severe pre-eclampsia of pregnancy. Michaela Danielle was delivered June 29, 1995, at 9:39 p.m. at 27 weeks gestation. She weighed only two pounds and measured 13 3/4 inches long. On August 21, after 53 days in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit of CAMC Women and Children's Hospital in Charleston, Michaela came home. She now weighs six pounds, and is 19 inches long. She is doing very well.

Maternal grandparents are Tom and Garnett Sharp, of Marlinton. Great-grandmothers are Ora Sharp, of Marlinton, and Genevieve McCoy, of Hillsboro.

Paternal grandmother is Susie Wade, of Frankford.

James (Rick) Rexrode and Janette Lin Vance along with their daughter, Brittany, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Brandon James Rexrode.

Brandon was born on May 3, 1997, at 9:40 a.m. at Rockingham Memorial Hospital in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Brandon weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and was 18 1/4 inches long.

Brandon's grandparents are Randolph and Lucy Rexrode, of Durbin, Earl L. Vance Jr., of Durbin, and Mark and Linda Walton, of Arbovale.

Brandon's great-grandmothers are Shirley Rexrode, of Durbin, and Sarah Mullenax, of Bartow.

Carissa Guyanna Elizabeth Robbins was born in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, April 3, 1996, at 8:11 p.m., weighing 8 pounds and was 20 inches long. She is the daughter of Billy and Harolonda Robbins and was welcomed home by her twin brothers, Cody and Caleb.

Her grandparents are H. Lowell Gibson, of Slaty Fork, and Carrice Shamblin, of Charleston. Great-grandparents are Si Sharp, of Slaty Fork, and Othel Hannah, of Valley Head.

Robert Preston Russell

Robert Preston Russell, age 71, of Marlinton, died Friday, October 3, 1997, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

He was retired from RAM Automotive in Canton, Ohio, and was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving on the U. S. S. Saratoga. He was a Protestant. The Russells moved from Ohio to Marlinton about four years ago.

A native of Newark, New Jersey, he was born October 22, 1925, the son of Robert and Leonora Preston Russell.

Survivors include his wife, Leeta Ryder Russell; sons, Robert "Jake" and Jimmy Dean Russell, both of upstate New York; step-children, Hollis Ryder, James Ryder, Sandra Irvine and Cheryl Dean, of Marlinton, and Philip Ryder, of Clear Creek; three grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren, and four step-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Monday by the Rev. Norman Alderman, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Bonnie M. Rose

Bonnie M. Rose, age 54, of Dailey, died Tuesday, April 29, 1997, at Davis Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

She was born January 14, 1943, at Durbin, to the late Denver Dee and Virginia Louise Ryder Arbogast.

She was a farmer.

Surviving her are one daughter, Melondy Lambert, Dailey; and one son, Franklin E. Curry, Durbin; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday, May 3, at Calvary Gospel Church in Durbin, with Rev. Harold Swecker, with burial at Lambert Cemetery on Elk Mountain.

DEATHS

Bonnie A. Rose

Bonnie Arbogast Rose, 54, of Dailey, died Tuesday, April 29, 1997, at Davis Memorial Hospital.

Arrangements are incomplete but services will be at the Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale.

Emmett Franklin Rexrode

Emmett Franklin Rexrode, age 87, of Moyers, died Saturday evening, May 3, 1997, at his home.

He was born December 31, 1909, at Brandywine, a son of Frank and Sally (Puffenbarger) Rexrode.

On May 13, 1934, he married Clona Ruth Moyers.

He was a farmer and a member of the St. John Lutheran Church.

Surviving him in addition to his wife are a son, Orville Lee Rexrode, of Moyers, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were Tuesday, May 6, at 11:30 a.m. in the Obaugh Funeral Home by the Rev. Chris Weitzel, with burial in the Family Cemetery at his residence.

Memorial contributions may be made to the South Fork Rescue Squad, Sugar Grove, WV 26815.

1918, at Claremont, Virginia, the daughter of Arthur C. Williams and Lillian Holloway.

She graduated from Hampton Institute in Hampton, Virginia, as a registered nurse. She worked as a nurse at Denmar Sanitarium and Burrell Memorial Hospital in Roanoke, Virginia. In 1954 she joined the staff at Berea Southwest General Hospital and retired from there in 1974.

Survivors include a son, Ruffner W. Pondexter, of Berea; and two sisters, Beatrice Moore, of Plainfield, New Jersey, and Lillian G. McAdary, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Ruffner H. Pondexter, whom she married on May 21, 1942, and a son, Ralph W. Pondexter.

Services were held on March 20, at People's Community Church in Berea with burial in the Woodvale Cemetery at Middleburg Heights, Ohio.

Shop Locally

Helen M. Pyles

Helen M. Pyles 83, of Hillsboro, died Wednesday, February 2, 1994, at the Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, Fairlea.

Mrs. Pyles was a member of the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church at Hillsboro, Hillsboro Chapter #93, Order of Eastern Star, Farm Women's Club, and AARP.

The daughter of the late William J. and Ninnie Anne Gay Hebb, she was born at Warwick October 15, 1910.

Others preceding her in death were a grandson, Douglas May; two brothers, Ralph and Glenn Hebb; and a sister, Emma Lee Tull.

Surviving her are her husband, Gay V. Pyles; two daughters, Bonnie C. Harrison, of Andover, Massachusetts, and W. Jane May, of Lenexa, Kansas; two sons, William M. Pyles, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and Timothy G. Pyles, of Summersville; a sister, Fern Brewster, of Pinellas Park, Florida; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Eastern Star services were held Saturday evening.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church by the Rev. Verlin Butcher and the Rev. Roy Gwinn, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Hazel Irvine Price

Hazel Irvine Price, age 55, of the Mechanicsburg Community of Bland, Virginia, died Thursday, March 16, 2000, at Wythe County Community Hospital, Wytheville, Virginia.

She was born March 16, 1945, at Marlinton, the daughter of the late Ralph and Martha Friel Irvine.

Surviving her are her husband, Randall H. Price, Jr.; one son, Edward Price, of San Antonio, Texas; two daughters, Terri Price, of Cere, Virginia, and Wendi Sanders, of Spartanburg, South Carolina; four brothers, Sterl Irvine, of Nellysford, Virginia;

Hill H. Pritt

Hill H. Pritt, 69, of Droop, died July 13, 1989, at Community Hospital in Roanoke, Virginia.

Mr. Pritt was the owner of Pritt's Well Drilling and was in the well drilling business for 53 years. He drilled the majority of the wells in Pocahontas County and a great many in Greenbrier County.

He was a member of the Mount Olivet United Methodist Church.

Born August 14, 1919, at Spice, he was the son of the late Wheeler C. and J. Switzerland Walton Pritt.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Carl, Elbert and Burley Pritt, and two sisters, Ileta and Marie.

Surviving him are his wife, Lila Faye Cutlip Pritt; sons, Kenneth and Jeff Pritt, both of Droop; daughters, Patricia Triplett, of Droop, Sylvia Walton, of Hillsboro, Evelyn Hollandsworth and Delores Cutlip, both of Marlinton; sister, Grace Kershner, of Warren, Ohio; and eight grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Barry Moll, with burial in Sunset Cemetery at Jacox.

Memorials may be given to Ronald MacDonald House or Mount Olivet United Methodist Church.

Sidney C. Powell

Sidney C. Powell, age 80, of Havre De Grace, Maryland, died Friday, March 31, 1995, at Harford Memorial Hospital in Havre De Grace.

He was a self-employed farmer and member of Harford County Farm Bureau.

Born at Renick, he was the son of the late Orvel and Nellie Brown Powell.

Surviving him are his wife of 58 years, Hilda Marie McMillion Powell; a daughter, Erma M. Hayes, of Baltimore, Maryland; two brothers, Fred Powell, of Renick, and Edgar Powell, of Droop; three sisters, Edith Hammonds, of Lewisburg, Betty Kershner and Helen Kershner, both of Droop.

Samuel T. Painter

Samuel T. Painter, age 66, of Valley Head, died Thursday, March 25, 1999, in Davis Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient in Nela's, Inc., for the past two years.

Mr. Painter was born June 13, 1932, at Slaty Fork, a son of the late Samuel Oliver and Maude Shelton Painter.

On February 8, 1957, at Edray, he married the former Iva Pritt, who preceded him in death on October 1, 1987.

Surviving are a son, Gary L. Painter, Elkins; companion, Pauline Wood, Valley Head; two sisters, Betty Cutlip and Louise Haller, both of Morgantown; and a grandson.

A brother, William L. "Jack" Painter, preceded him in death.

He attended the schools of Pocahontas and Webster counties and served with the U. S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was a retired bus driver for Randolph County Schools. He was a member and former vice president of Valley Head Fire Department, a member of Randolph County Association of Retired School Employees and a member of St. John's Chapel at Huttonsville.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Saturday at St. John's Chapel at Huttonsville by the Rev. Father Roy Schuster and Lou Bell-dina, deacon of the Mass. Interment followed in Valley Head Cemetery where the presentation of the American Flag was made by members of H. W. Daniels Post 29 American Legion.

Bertha May Blankenship Peyton

Bertha May Blankenship Peyton, age 90, of Stamping Creek, near Hillsboro, died July 2, 2000, at Nicholas County Health Care Center at Richwood.

She was a homemaker and a member of Stamping Creek Tabernacle.

The daughter of the late Gabriel and Sarah Lewis Blankenship, she was born at Spring Creek, Greenbrier County, July 5, 1909.

Her husband, McDaniel Peyton, is deceased.

Surviving her are two daughters, Sandra L. Peyton Murray, of Stamping Creek, and Thelma Faye Binns, of Fairmont, and two grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Stamping Creek Tabernacle by Pastor Jack Burks, with burial in the Sharp Cemetery.

Thaddeus I. Perry
Thaddeus I. Perry, 76, of Cherryfield, Maine, died on June 4, 1998, at the Skilled Nursing Facility at Milbridge, Maine, following along illness.

He was born on September 3, 1921, at Sorrento, Maine, the son of Bloomfield and Abbie Buzzell Perry.

Mr. Perry was a graduate of Cherryfield Academy. He worked for the State of Maine and as a heavy equipment operator in Vermont, New York, Massachusetts, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

Mr. Perry was a World War II veteran of the U. S. Army, a 61 year member of First Baptist Church at Cherryfield, Narraguagus Lodge No. 88 AF&AM, and International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 98.

In 1947 he married Lura Schoppe Cook, who survives. Other survivors include one son, William Cook, and two grandchildren, all in Vermont.

Mr. Perry lived in Pocahontas County for 15 years where he assisted his wife in her tax business. He retired in 1983 due to ill health.

Burial was at Cherryfield at Small's Cemetery. A service will be held later.

Virginia M. Phillips
Virginia M. Phillips, age 84, of RD 3, Meadville, Pennsylvania, died Tuesday, September 15, 1998, at Meadville Medical Center.

She was born in Green Bank March 25, 1914, and married Willis A. Phillips on June 1, 1946; he preceded her in death January 28, 1982.

She was a member of First Baptist Church and the KJU Class.

Surviving her are a son, David A. Phillips, of Meadville; two granddaughters and three great-grandchildren; a sister, Orpha Monk, of Boyer; and a brother, Harold Gustafson, of Keyser.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Carl Rosberg, and her mother, Lillian Sutton Johnson.

The Rev. Gregory A. Streed, of First Baptist Church, officiated at the services. Burial was in Roselawn Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made to

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Helen M. Pyles

HILLSBORO — Helen M. Pyles, 83, of Hillsboro died Feb. 2, 1994, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, Fairlea, after a short illness.

She was a homemaker and member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church, Hillsboro, Eastern Star, Hillsboro Chapter No. 93, and Farm Women's Club.

Surviving: husband, Gay V. Pyles; sons, William M. of Pittsburgh, Mass., Timothy G. of Summersville; daughters, Bonnie C. Harrison of Andover, Mass., W. Jane May of Lenexa, Kan.; sister, Fern Brewster of Pinellas Park, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Service will be 2 p.m. Sunday at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church with the Rev. Verlin Butcher and the Rev. Roy Gwinn officiating. Burial will be in Mountainview Cemetery, Marlinton. Friends may call from 2 to 9 p.m. today at VanReenan Funeral Home, Marlinton, where an Eastern Star service will be held at 7 p.m.

Thelma E. Phares

Thelma Elliott Phares, 89, of Berwick, died on May 20, 1997, following several months of failing health.

She was born on October 4, 1907, on Buffalo Mountain, the daughter of Kenney F. and Maggie Gum Elliott.

Mrs. Phares moved to Berwick in 1939. After two years in Virginia and West Virginia, she moved to Millville, Pennsylvania, in 1962. There she and her husband owned and operated a restaurant until 1972. In 1973 they moved back to Berwick.

During World War II, she worked at AC&F Industries and Wise Foods.

Mrs. Phares was a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church, Berwick, and the Naomi Circle of the church.

Surviving are two daughters, Nellie Smith and Mary Lee Scala, both of Berwick; 15 grandchildren; 70 great-grandchildren; and 15 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George F. Phares, in 1987; a son, E. Joe Phares, in 1981; three brothers, Greely, John, and Leonard Elliott; a sister, Harriet Jenkins; a grandson; and a great-granddaughter.

Services were held on May 24 at the Calvary United Methodist Church with the Rev. Fred J. Fields officiating. Burial was in the Rose Lawn Cemetery, Berwick.

DEATHS

Ruth Marie Pugh

Ruth Marie Pugh, age 79, of Boyer, died Tuesday, June 1, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Pugh lived most of her life at Boyer and was a member of the Brethren Church. She was a clerk at Pugh's Grocery.

Born January 4, 1920, at Arbovale, she was the daughter of the late Wesley and Lora Rader Vandevander.

Preceding her in death also were a sister, Leone Simmons, and a brother, Johnny Vandevander.

Surviving her are her husband, Fred D. Pugh; a daughter, Nancy Shinaberry, of Durbin; three sisters, Arline Rexrode and Mary Frances Cassell, both of Arbovale, and Maxine Harden, of Salisbury, Maryland; and two grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 a. m. Friday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale by the Rev. David Rittenhouse, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Visitation will be Thursday from 6 to 9 at the Arbovale Funeral Home.

Esta Purkey

Esta Belle Purkey, age 76, of Dunmore, died Friday, July 28, 1995, at home after a long illness.

She was a member of Baxter Presbyterian Church at Dunmore.

Born May 30, 1919, at Dunmore, she was the daughter of the late Harry Cleveland and Mabel Ann Waugh Shrader.

Her husband, Earl Brannon Purkey, preceded her in death, also a brother, Hunter Shrader, and two infant brothers.

Surviving her are five daughters, Patricia Ann Purkey, Phyllis Marie Estep and Linda Lee Bennett, all of Dunmore, Jo Clara Bonnell, of Baltimore, Maryland, and Karen Sue Snyder, of Cleveland, Ohio; a brother, Everett Henry Shrader, of Charleston; a sister, Icy Ann Cross, of Charleston; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Servies were held at 11 a. m. Monday at Baxter Presbyterian Church by the Rev. David Fuller. Burial was in the Dunmore Cemetery.

DEATHS

Markel Lee Pifer

Markel Lee Pifer, age 45, of Norfolk, Virginia, formerly of Marlinton, died Wednesday, March 28, 1996.

He was a mechanic and carpenter, and a former member of the Country Music Association of Norfolk.

He was born at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital on December 19, 1950, to the late Eugene Pifer and Wanda Clark Connell, of Marlinton, and was raised for several years by his maternal aunt and uncle, Edna and Fred Hefner, of Marlinton, and also by Mary and Stanley Forbes, of Norfolk.

He left behind a wife, Pat, and daughter, Serena Brooks, both of Norfolk. Also surviving him are a brother and sisters, Harry Hornbeck, of Greenwood, South Carolina, Carolyn Pennington, of Tuscon, Arizona, and Cindy Pifer, of Marlinton. Surviving cousins raised as brothers and sisters are Margaret Cutlip, of Tennessee, Gary Wamsley, of Mansfield, Ohio, Helen Layman, Freda Jackson, and Mike Hefner, all of Marlinton, and Stephen Hefner, of Arlington, Virginia.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p. m. Friday at VanReenen's Funeral Home by the Rev. Stanley Johnson. Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery in Marlinton.

Dennis Denver Pritt

Dennis Denver Pritt, age 79, of Hillsboro, died Wednesday, December 31, 1997, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Pritt was a timber cutter.

He was born at Spice October 12, 1918, the son of the late Joseph S. and Monnie E. Harford Pritt.

Preceding him in death were a brother, Clifford Pritt, and three sisters, Brownie Cluff, Arvena Dean, and Ada Wingler.

Surviving him are two brothers, Elliott H. Pritt and Kessler L. Pritt, and a sister, Nora Loudermilk, all of Hillsboro.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Saturday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Gail Cutlip. Burial was in Emmanuel Cemetery at Jacob.

Memorial donations may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Susan Clay Pryor

Susan Clay Pryor, age 83, formerly of Marlinton, died at her home in Lewisburg Wednesday, June 25, 1997.

Mrs. Pryor was the widow of Harold Walter Pryor, who died in 1990. The Pryors lived many years in Marlinton, where he had the Variety Store and Chevrolet dealership.

She was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church.

Born at Sandstone December 19, 1913, she was the daughter of Lewis Giles and Rouea McKinney Clay.

Surviving her are four sons, Roger Pryor, of Mount Nebo, Gene Pryor, of Haymarket, Virginia, Don Pryor, of Florida, and Ray Pryor, of Hamilton, Virginia; a brother, Fred Lewis Clay, of Arizona; a sister, Janeth Roten, of Millwood; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Dan Ross, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

DEATHS

George Edwin Pastine

George Edwin Pastine, age 60, of Mabie, died April 27, 1998, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins following a long illness.

He was born October 20, 1937, at Cassity, the eldest son of the late Stanley Edwin and Edith Melissa Shockey Pastine.

Surviving is a brother, Jerry L. Pastine, of Elkins.

He was a graduate of Coalton High School with the Class of 1955, was a veteran of the U. S. Army, having served from 1961 to 1963, had retired from Southern States in 1976 with twenty years of service, and currently was employed by the West Virginia Division of Highways at Elkins as Storekeeper. He was a member of Elkins Lodge #108, A. F. & A. M., Upshur Chapter #34, Buckhannon, Royal Arch Masons, 18th Degree Scottish Rite, Wheeling, 32nd Degree Scottish Rite, Wheeling, Osiris Shrine Temple, Wheeling, Tygart Valley Shrine Club, Elkins, the National Rifle Association, and the Randolph County Rambusters.

Final rites will be conducted at Lutz-Barb-Vance Funeral Home in Elkins at 1 p. m. Thursday by the Rev. Stella Faye Moyer, with burial at the Mt. Union Cemetery at Sand Run.

Richard E. Phillips

Richard Ervin Phillips, age 59, formerly of Parsons and more recently of Elkins, died Sunday, November 2, 1997, in Davis Memorial Hospital.

He was born July 19, 1938, at Hendricks, a son of the late John Russell and Mary Jane Mick Phillips.

He married Shirley Ann Pratt, who preceded him in death.

Mr. Phillips was a Catholic and a member of the Odd Fellows.

He is survived by three sons, Scott Myers, of Bartow, Richard White, of Parsons, and Ronny White; two daughters, Helen White, of Parsons, and Janet White, of Keyser; one brother, Joe Mick, of Mackeyville; and one sister, Wanda Lou Streets, of Valley Furnace.

He was also preceded in death by one brother, Frank Phillips, and one sister, Christine Null.

William S. Phillips

William S. Phillips, age 89, of Spencer, died August 11, 1998, in Roane General Hospital after a long illness.

He was a retired foreman from Monarch Rubber Company and was a farmer.

Surviving him are his wife, Jenny Rakowski Phillips; daughters, Annabelle McClain, Patty Ice, and Carolyn Nichols, all of Marlinton; sons, Jackie B. Phillips, of Marlinton, Gary Phillips, of Evans, Bobby Phillips, of Reedy; stepson, Paul D. Richards, of Spencer; sixteen grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at Taylor-Vandale Funeral Home, Spencer, by the Rev. Randy Whited. Burial was in Swank Cemetery, near Spencer.

BIRTHS

Jerry and Ina Pennington would like to announce the birth of a daughter, Destiny Faith, on September 22, 1998, at the Greenbrier Valley Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 7.8 ounces and was 19 inches in length. She has a sister, Jessica, and brother, Sean.

Maternal grandparents are Victoria Pritt, of Hillsboro, and Gary Powell, of Charden, Ohio. Paternal grandparents are Marie Pennington, of Marlinton, and the late Frank Pennington.

Charlie Homer Propst

Charlie Homer Propst, 92, of Bartow, died Saturday, March 17, 1995, at Franklin Nursing Home after a long illness.

He was a member of Crummetts Run Church of the Brethren near Sugar Grove, was a member of the Moose Lodge and was a former truck driver.

Mr. Propst was born August 19, 1902, at Sugar Grove, a son of the late Ester Propst.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Judy Propst, April 7, 1989.

Surviving him is a half-brother, Wesley Huffman, of Virginia.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Monday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale by the Rev. Phyllis Cox. Burial was in the Judy Cemetery on Buffalo Mountain Road near Arbovale.

BIRTHS

Jennifer Rexrode and Clifford T. Peck, Jr., are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Kalila Ann Peck, on June 9, 1998, in the Davis Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs., 3 ozs., and 18 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Billy and Sherry Cassell, of Bartow. Paternal grandparents are Carlos and Myrtle Jones, of Durbin, and Tom and Peggy Peck, of Bartow.

Roger E. Pritt

Roger E. Pritt, age 58, of Droop, died Friday, April 25, 1997, at home.

He was a retired well driller.

Born on Droop April 4, 1939, he was the son of Ima J. Kershner Pritt, of Droop, and the late Elbert E. Pritt.

Surviving him, in addition to his mother, are a son, Ryan E. Pritt, of Droop; a daughter, Rhonda L. Pritt-Rose, of Droop and Mount Hope; a sister, Shirley Niemiec, of Virginia Beach, Virginia; and special friend, Bernadette Balleston, of Droop.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Roy Gwinn, with burial in Sunset Cemetery at home.

Cathie S. Paugh

Cathie Sue Paugh, age 47, of Wheeling, died Tuesday, February 17, 1998, at home.

She was a homemaker.

She was born August 7, 1950, in Marlinton, a daughter of Phyllis Miller Waddell, of Wellsburg, and the late Emmons Moore.

She was a member of Brooke Hills Free Methodist Church, Wellsburg.

She is survived by her husband, Lawrence Paugh, of Wheeling; three daughters, Tammy Mercer, of Short Creek, Laura Greathouse and Courtney Vargo, both of Wheeling; a brother, Tom Bukovac, of Wheeling; and a sister, Patty Bussard, of Dunmore; and two grandchildren.

Jesse Lee Pennington

Jesse Lee Pennington, age 84, of Green Bank, died Sunday, November 1, 1998, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Pennington was a brakeman with Cass Scenic Railroad.

He was born November 22, 1913, at Gladys, the son of the late Jasper and Christine Waybright Pennington.

Preceding him in death were his wife, Gail Varney Pennington, on March 6, 1985, and a son, Scott Pennington, on January 6, 1994.

Surviving him are four daughters, Donna Rogall, of Bethune, South Carolina, Terry Dockery, of Green Bank, Pam Hevener, of Dunmore, and Kathy Jo Robinson, of Morning View, Kentucky, and nine grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Kyle M. Phillips

Kyle M. Phillips, of Chatsworth, California, died April 4, 1998.

He was born at Arbovale and was the son of James B. and Rosie Sutton Phillips. Before moving to California, he lived in Cabot, Vermont.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Phillips, of Chatsworth, and Samuel, of Winnetka, California; one sister, Dortha Houchins, of Richmond, Virginia; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Phillips was preceded in death by his first wife, Bernice McCarty Phillips, and his second wife, Ruth Adams Phillips; seven sisters and one brother.

A memorial service was held on April 6.

Mrs. Bydler Patterson

Opal Juanita (Dickie) Patterson, 76, died Sunday, June 16, 1996, in a Tallahassee, Florida, hospital due to cancer.

Born October 7, 1919, at Huntersville, she was the daughter of S. I. and Mabel Wagner Barlow.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Myrtle Atkins and Madeline McComb.

Survivors include her husband, Bydler Patterson; children, Jeannie Brooks, Thomas Collins, Kenneth Ricardo Collins, Bobby Baxter; six grandchildren; one brother Maynard Barlow, of Syracuse, New York; four sisters, Mrs. Nell Shrader and Mrs. Louise McNeel, both of Hillsboro, Mrs. Lucille Burns, of Marlinton, and Mrs. Evelyn Williams, of Akron, Ohio.

She was affiliated with the Eastern Star and the Methodist Church.

Memorial services will be held at the VanReenan Funeral Home in Marlinton, and in Baltimore, Maryland. Date and time for these services will be announced later.

Burial will be in Maryland Veterans National Cemetery in Baltimore, Maryland.

DEATHS**Minnie Parg**

Minnie Parg, age 90, of Durbin, died Tuesday, July 9, 1996, at her home after a long illness.

Miss Parg was a retired teacher, with 44 years service in Pocahontas County. She was a member of St. Marks Catholic Church of Bartow.

Born in Elkins November 29, 1905, she was the daughter of William and Mary Bartsch Parg.

Preceding her in death were her parents, two sisters, Ann and Marie, and two brothers, Arthur and William.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10 a. m. at St. Brendans Catholic Church in Elkins by Father Arnold Lang. Burial will be in Maplewood Cemetery, Elkins.

Visitation will be Thursday from 6 to 8 at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home at Arbovale, with Rosary recited at 7:30.

BIRTHS

Jennifer Rexrode and Clifford T. Peck, Jr., are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Kalila Ann Peck, on June 9, 1993, in the Davis Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 lbs., 3 ozs., and 16 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Billy and Sherry Cassell, of Bartow. Paternal grandparents are Carlos and Myrtle Jones, of Durbin, and Tom and Peggy Peck, of Bartow.

Joyce S. Pritt

Joyce Lavania Shaw Pritt, age 81, of Culpeper, Virginia, died August 23, 1997, at her residence.

Mrs. Pritt was born February 1, 1940, in Culpeper County to George Rumsey Shaw and the late Philip Preston Shaw.

Besides her mother, Mrs. Pritt is survived by her husband of 36 years, Lawrence Matthew Pritt; one daughter, Sharon Merryman, of Madison, Virginia; one son, Michael W. Pritt, of Culpeper; two brothers, Philip W. Shaw, of Culpeper, and Russell W. Shaw, of Stafford, Virginia; two sisters, Winnie Bache and Jean F. Yowell, both of Culpeper; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held August 16 at Stevenburg Baptist Church at 2 p. m. by the Rev. Philip A. Walker and Dr. Charles Shifflet. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Ronald William Pennington

Ronald William Pennington, Jr., age 43, of Buckeye, died Thursday, October 9, 1997, as the result of a chain saw accident.

He was a member of the Living Word Church of God, and International Order of Odd Fellows.

Born at Marlinton November 1, 1953, he was the son of Virginia Tyree Pennington Burgess, of Marlinton, and the late Ronald William Pennington, Sr.

A brother, James Pennington, preceded him in death.

Surviving him in addition to his mother are a son, Erin Ronald Pennington, of Buckhannon, and a daughter, Lisa Marie Pennington; his companion, Zona Hoover; seven sisters, Helen Harlow, Selma, Virginia, Wanda Blankenship, Edray, Linda Wilson, Valdesse, North Carolina, Peggy Pennington and Kitty Miller, both of Marlinton, Susan Castle, Louisa, Virginia, Vada BoBack, Philippi; four brothers, Billy Pennington, Drexel, North Carolina, Tommy Pennington, Pennsboro, George Burgess, Valley Head, and Ethan Burgess, Marlinton.

Services were held at Living Word Church of God on Beard Heights at 2 p. m. Sunday by the Rev. I. W. Morgan. Burial was in Cochran Cemetery.

Nora A. Pritt

Nora A. Pritt, age 81, of Droop, died Friday, April 25, 1997, in Greenbrier Manor Nursing Home after a long illness.

She was a nurse's aide, retired from Denmar State Hospital, and was a Methodist.

Mrs. Pritt was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Pritt; a son, Conrad; a sister, Bessie Simmons; and two brothers, Grady and Clifford Brown.

She was born August 8, 1915, at Spice, the daughter of the late Kenney and Emma Barrett Brown.

Surviving her are a son, Richard, of Frankford; three sisters, Nila Simmons, of Jacox, Nina Friel, of Marlinton, and Lena Fuller, of Fairlea; a brother, Harold Brown, of Roseburg, Oregon; and two grandchildren.

Graveside services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in the Whiting Cemetery on Droop by the Rev. Dan Miller.

Memorial donations may be made to Whiting Cemetery Fund, P.O. Box 22, Droop, WV 26046.

Gretchen F. Pelkey

Gretchen F. Pelkey, age 79, of 810 Executive Place, Apt. #106, Fayetteville, North Carolina, died Saturday, April 5, 1997.

Surviving are three brothers, Oscar Friel, Mack Friel, and Raymond Friel, all of Marlinton; three grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday at Jernigan-Warren Chapel by Rev. Gary Leviner Sr., with burial at Lafayette Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association 136-A Bow St. Fayetteville, North Carolina 28301.

Robert J. Neighbors

Sgt. Robert J. Neighbors, 63, of Big Springs, Texas, died May 27, 1998.

He was born on September 7, 1934, the son of Kyle "Catty" and Ina Neighbors.

Sgt. Neighbors was a graduate of Cass Grade School and Green Bank High School. He served over 20 years in the Air Force and retired to Big Springs.

Survivors include his wife, Olludine; four sons, Kyle, Craig, Ross, and Barton; five daughters, Daryl Jo, Kathy, Tina, Andrea, and Ina Shay; all of Texas; two sisters, Mary Snyder, of Cass, and Marsha Ware, of St. Matthews, South Carolina; and several grandchildren.

Burial was at Big Springs.

Doris Moore Norbury

(Dorothy) Doris Moore Norbury, age 82, of Knapps Creek, died May 7, 1998, at Alleghany Regional Hospital, Low Moor, Virginia.

She was a Presbyterian.

Born at Huntersville March 10, 1916, she was the daughter of the late Isaac Price Moore and Myrta Herold Moore.

Her husband, Elmer J. Norbury, a daughter, Amelia Eileen Norbury, a sister, Hollis Guthrie, and two brothers, Andrew and Price Pershing Moore, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are two sons, James Michael and Carl Leroy Norbury, and a sister, Genevieve Moore.

Arnold Lee Nelson

Arnold Lee Nelson, age 33, of Durbin, died Wednesday, July 30, 1997, at a Baltimore Hospital.

He was born February 23, 1964, at Elkins, to Evelyn Louise Carr Sipe and the late James Howard Nelson II.

He was a timber cutter, and was a Navy veteran.

He is survived by his wife, Priscilla Ann Galford Nelson, Durbin; his mother, Evelyn Louise Carr Sipe, Ellenboro; brothers, James H. Nelson, III, Durbin, and Jerry L. Nelson, Shinnston; one step-daughter, Miranda Means, Durbin; two step-sons, David and Jason Galford, Green Bank; one step-sister, April N. Darnell, Buckhannon.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 2, at 2 p.m., at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arbovale, by Rev. Donnie Curry. Burial was at the Arbovale Cemetery.

Florence Perkins Nenoff

Florence Perkins Nenoff, 70, of Shirley, Long Island, New York,

died of a heart attack May 26, 1993.

She was a former resident of Cass, where she lived with her daughter, Mary Perkins.

Surviving her are her husband, Clark Nenoff, of Shirley, New York; six daughters, Ellen Kidder, of Clearwater, Florida, Florence Foster, of Dunedin, Florida, Peggy Carroll, of Mastic Beach, New York, Anna Beck, of Kellogg, Idaho, Mary Perkins, of Cass, and Sue Tyner, of Largo, Florida; ten grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorial services were held in New York.

Madelyn F. Newman

Madelyn F. Newman, 73, of Charleston, died November 3, 1999, in Memorial Division, CAMC, after a short illness.

Madelyn was born October 3, 1926, at Clintonville, the daughter of the late Houston S. and Estella Pearl Sumner Scaggs.

She was an American Red Cross volunteer and a retired nurse from Mountain State Hospital and Charleston Memorial Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Newman have a camp in Pocahontas County.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a son, Charles Randall Newman, II; grandparents, Dr. Lon and Florence Hicks Scaggs, and Wyley and Cynthia Craddock Sumner.

Survivors include her husband, Randall Newman; sons, Thaddeus Settle, of Dunbar, Thomas Settle, of Beckley, Paul Newman, of Charleston; daughters, Rosemary Settle and Regina Newman, both of Charleston; a sister, Julia Wilburn, of Fayetteville; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at Cunningham-Parker-Johnson Funeral Home, Charles-

ton, by the Rev. Chris Sowards. Burial was in Grandview Memorial Park, Dunbar.

DEATHS**Margaret V. Neighbors**

Margaret V. Neighbors, 91, of Baltimore, died March 10, 1998.

Services will be at 11 a.m. on Friday at the Wallace and Wallace Chapel in Arbovale with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery. Friends may call 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday.

Dorothy A. Nottingham

Dorothy A. Nottingham, 79, of Orlando, Florida, died on March 12, 1999.

She was born in Orlando on January 9, 1920. Mrs. Nottingham was a commercial artist and bookkeeper. She was a Baptist.

Survivors include her husband, Lewis E. Nottingham; two sons, Raymond L. Nottingham, of Winter Haven, Florida, and Robert A. Nottingham, of Orlando; and one sister, Lydia Gray, of Titusville, Florida.

Services were held on March 15 at the Woodlawn Funeral Home Chapel with Pastors Curtis Pace and Steve Perine officiating. Burial was in the Woodlawn Memorial Park at Orlando.

Grace H. Nelson

Grace Harper Nelson, age 93, of Marlinton, formerly of Valley Bend, died Wednesday, March 15, 2000, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Nelson was a graduate of Harman High School and Davis and Elkins College. She taught school at Spruce in Pocahontas County and in Randolph County schools; she retired as postmaster at Slaty Fork. She was a member of Cass Chapter No. 124, Order of Eastern Star, White Shrine of Jerusalem, Ladies Templars, National League of Postmasters, Randolph County Senior Center and the Senior Center Melody Chorus, and Mountain State Railroad and Logging Historical Association.

Born June 16, 1906, at Harman, she was a daughter of the late Walter and Roseannie Cooper Harper.

On May 29, 1929, she married Jefferson W. Nelson, who survives at Marlinton.

Also surviving are three sons, Robert K. Nelson, Struthers, Ohio, Jackie W. Nelson, Oxnard, California, and Harper W. Nelson, of Marlinton; two daughters, Barbara Jane Shaw and Sondra Cochran, both of Marlinton; ten grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death were four brothers, Burley, Leo, Carney and Kern Harper; a sister, Lula Bland; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning at Tomblyn Funeral Home Chapel in Elkins by the Rev. Donald L. Fitzwater. Burial was at Jacob C. Harper Cemetery near Harman.

DEATHS**Harry Nelson**

Harry Nelson, of Marlinton, died Tuesday, June 10, 1997.

Arrangements are incomplete as we go to press.

John A. Nelson

John A. Nelson, age 69 years, of Canton, Ohio, passed away Thursday, October 30, 1997, at Arbors Canton Rehab Center after a long illness.

He was born June 25, 1928, at Cass, son of the late Walter C. Nelson and Dewie G. Nelson.

John was a former employee of Mower Lumber Company, Building and Grounds Superintendent of Denmar State Hospital, and also a Millwright for Union Metal MFG, of Canton, Ohio.

He was an active Mason of Hillsboro Lodge 121, Order of Eastern Star at Cass, 32nd Degree of Scottish Rites in Canton and a member of AARP.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Bonnie Sheets Nelson.

He is survived by his wife of 35 years, Wanda Beverage Nelson, of Canton, Ohio; sons, Gary Nelson, of Canton, Terry Nelson, of Carrollton, Ohio; five brothers, Tom and Bob Nelson, of Massillon, Ohio, Phil Nelson, of Newark, Ohio, Don Nelson, of Marlinton, and Ted Nelson, of Goose Creek, South Carolina; three sisters, Mary Etta Tacy, of Beckley, Betty J. Haislop, of Baltimore, Maryland; and Dollie V. Lewis, of Green Bank.

Graveside services were held by Reverend Mart Samons on November 3, at 2 p.m. at Arbovale Cemetery.

William Niven Waybright, Sr.

William Niven Waybright, Sr., age 72, of Boyer, died Wednesday, October 8, 1997, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital in Marlinton, after a long illness.

He was born January 25, 1925, at Bluegrass, Virginia, and was the son of Ollie E. Mullenax Waybright and the late Kenny Waybright.

He was a resident of Boyer for 46 years and was a member of Boyer Church of The Brethren. He was also retired from Howes Leather Company and was a WWII Army Veteran.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenny Waybright, and two sons, Timothy Waybright and an infant son.

Surviving him are his wife, Millie Ryder Waybright; his mother, Ollie Mullenax Waybright, of Churchville, Virginia; one daughter,

Loretta Wayne, of Arbovale; two sons, William "Buster" Waybright, of Franklin, and Jeffrey Danny Waybright, of Canvas; three sisters, Lucille Back, Mary Johnson, and Dollie Varner, all of Churchville, Virginia; two brothers, George Waybright, of Staunton, Virginia; and Lester Waybright, of Zelenople, Pennsylvania; nine grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, October 11, at Boyer Church of The Brethren with Rev. David Rittenhouse and Rev. Jim Wiley, with burial in Boyer Cemetery.

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DEATHS

Elsie G. Napier

Elsie G. Napier, age 71, of Minnehaha Springs, died August 16, 1997, in the University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, Virginia.

She was a retired electronics/printer tester for General Electric. She attended New Hope Lutheran Church and was a member of Pocahontas Continuous Care Center Auxiliary.

The daughter of the late Bedford and Drucilla Grimes Shinaberry, she was born at Poage Lane June 14, 1926.

Her husband, Richard Napier, a son, Riger H. Irvine, and a sister, Edith Gray Dilley, are deceased.

Surviving her are a son, Dolan W. Irvine, of Minnehaha Springs; two sisters, Edna Irvine, of Richwood, and Eva Reinard, of Pulaski, New York; six brothers, Arlie Shinaberry, of Ferndale, Michigan, Alvie Shinaberry, of North East, Maryland, Gay Shinaberry, of Monaco, Pennsylvania, Sterl Shinaberry, of Vero Beach, Florida, Arnold Shinaberry, of Stony Bottom, and Carlen Shinaberry, of Frank; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at New Hope Lutheran Church by the Rev. Neal Weltzin. Burial was in Augusta Memorial Park, Waynesboro, Virginia.

Memorial gifts may be made to New Hope Lutheran Church Building Fund.

Ethel Livesay McCrory

Ethel M. Livesay McCrory, age 88, of White Sulphur Springs, died Wednesday, February 14, 1996, in Alleghany Regional Hospital at Low Moor, Virginia, from pneumonia.

She was a member of and organist for the First Presbyterian Church in White Sulphur Springs, and a retired piano teacher with 35 years' service.

She grew up in Marlinton, the daughter of the late Clarence and Lena Livesay.

Surviving her are three sons, Don McCrory, of Shreveport, Louisiana, Lee McCrory, of Raleigh, North Carolina, and Fred McCrory, of White Sulphur Springs; a daughter, Sara Ellison, of White Sulphur Springs; brother, Roy Livesay, of Courtland, Virginia; two sisters, Teenie Hodges, of Covington, Virginia, and Nettie Fox, of Crofton, Maryland; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at Shanklin Funeral Home in White Sulphur Springs by the Rev. Stewart Farley. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery at White Sulphur.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to Union Mission Ministries, Inc., P. O. Box 112. Charleston.

DEATHS

Dorothea McMillian

Dorothea Lucinda McLaughlin McMillian, age 70, died Tuesday, July 11, 1995, at her home in Marlinton. She had been in ill health for several years, suffering from emphysema.

She was a retired officer of the United States Air Force, member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, Pocahontas County Historical Society, member of Pocahontas County Democratic Executive Committee and Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees.

Born at Marlinton March 23, 1925, she was the daughter of the late Frank Price and Margaret Irene Logan McLaughlin.

Surviving her are her brother, Frank Andrew McLaughlin, of Midlothian, Virginia, and several nieces and nephews and cousins.

No arrangements have been made as we go to press.

Alice B. McComb

Alice B. McComb, age 96, of Marlinton, died July 2, 2000, at the home of her daughter in Bear, Delaware, where she had lived for the past seven years.

Mrs. McComb was an L.P.N. and had worked in several area hospitals in Virginia. Prior to that she worked for the Hot Springs Company at the Homestead in the Upholstery and Interior Decorating Departments. She was a member of the I.O.O.F. Hot Springs Rebekah Lodge #64 and during World War II worked with the Air Raid Wardens of Hot Springs.

She was born April 20, 1904, at Greenville, Kentucky, the daughter of the late Thomas Jefferson and Amelia Wells Blackburn.

Preceding her in death were her first husband, Ernest Hicks, and her second husband of 46 years, George Lock McComb, who died December 31, 1992; also two sons, Gerone and Dolphus Hicks; three daughters, Dorothy Rosiland Hicks, Camellia Potts, and Mayrene Tenny.

She is survived by two sons, Alfred and Ray Hicks, of Hot Springs, Virginia, and one daughter, Ann F. Cool, of Bear, Delaware; also two step-daughters, Loxie Corbett, Wilma Underwood, of Marlinton, and a step-son, James McComb, of Marlinton; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held at VanReenen Funeral Home in Marlinton on Thursday from 6 to 8 p. m.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 11 a. m. at VanReenen Funeral Home with burial to follow at Union Chapel Cemetery at Falling Springs, Virginia.

Irene McLaughlin

Irene Vest McLaughlin, age 80, of Hot Springs, Virginia, died Thursday, March 9, 2000, at Bath County Community Hospital.

She was born October 4, 1919, in Bath County, a daughter of William and Corda Lawrence Vest.

She was a member of Healing Springs Baptist Church.

Surviving her are her husband, Jack Dempson McLaughlin; two sons, Danny McLaughlin, of Droop Mountain, and Richard Blankenship, of Warm Springs; a daughter, Drema Mines, of Plant City, Florida; a sister, Edna Bogan, of Millboro, Virginia; ten grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were conducted March 12 at McLaughlin Funeral Home by the Rev. Tom Stanley, with burial at Union Chapel.

DEATHS

Dempsey McNeill

Matthew Dempsey McNeill, age 71, of Hillsboro, died Tuesday, March 14, 2000, in Alleghany Regional Hospital at Low Moor, Virginia.

He was a farmer and a former hair machine operator for International Shoe Company.

The son of the late Thomas Rush and Anna Bertha Morrison McNeill, he was born at Buckeye April 25, 1928.

In addition to his parents, those preceding him in death were a daughter, Georgia Anna Siders, and a sister, Nancy Taylor.

Surviving him are his wife, Mary Arnold McNeill; a daughter, Barbara Williams, of St. Albans; three sons, Thomas H. McNeill and Darrell L. McNeill, both of Hillsboro, and Bobby W. McNeill, of Sutton; three sisters, Helen Carr, of Marlinton, Sherlin Ledford and Vera Hudson, both of North Augusta, South Carolina; a brother, Walter McNeill, of Buckeye; and one grandchild.

Funeral services will be held at VanReenen Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Friday by the Rev. Phyllis Cox. Burial will be in the McNeill Cemetery, Buckeye.

Visitation will be at VanReenen's from 6 to 8 p. m. Thursday.

DEATHS

Mildred W. McLaughlin

Mildred Woodrow McLaughlin, age 83, of Dunmore, died Sunday, October 13, 1996, in Roanoke Memorial Hospital.

Born at Dunmore March 19, 1913, at Dunmore, she was the daughter of Harry Moffett Taylor and Lola Lee Scruggs Taylor.

She was a member of the Dunmore United Methodist Church, United Methodist Women, and Extension Homemakers.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Lynn David McLaughlin; her parents; and three brothers, Fred Taylor, Samuel Taylor, and Moffett Taylor.

Survivors include two daughters, Cora Lee Carpenter, of Frost, and Mildred Marie Campbell, of Dunmore; three sons, Forrest Clark McLaughlin, of Andover, Ohio, David Lynn McLaughlin, of Jamestown, Pennsylvania, and Harry Parker McLaughlin, of Dunmore; two sisters, Kathleen Virginia Wilfong, of Bartow, and Gladys Estelle Loudermilk, of Randallstown, Maryland; fourteen grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday at the Dunmore United Methodist Church by the Revs. David Fuller and David Rittenhouse, with burial in the Dunmore Cemetery.

Shad R. McLaughlin

Shad Royce McLaughlin, age 73, died Sunday, April 5, 1998, at his home on Rt. 1, Marlinton.

He was retired manager of Edray State Trout Hatchery, member of Marlinton Presbyterian Church, Elder and youth director at Stony Creek Presbyterian Church, and a member of Pocahontas Promenaders Square Dance Club. He served in the United States Navy in World War II, and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Born June 10, 1924, at Dunmore, he was a son of the late Elmer and Ethel E. Wilfong McLaughlin.

Preceding him in death were a sister, Decima McLaughlin, and six brothers, Cale, Basil, Rene, Azel, Chester and Robert McLaughlin.

He is survived by his wife, Osa Smith McLaughlin; four sons, John David McLaughlin, of Surfside Beach, South Carolina, Tom McLaughlin, of Louisa, Virginia, Patrick McLaughlin, of Smithfield, Virginia, and Michael McLaughlin, of Richmond, Virginia; two daughters, Sally Nottingham, of Surfside Beach, South Carolina, and Virginia Shaw, of Marlinton; a sister, Eleanor McLaughlin, of Knapps Creek, Marlinton; and nine grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday at the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Randy Benson, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Marlinton Presbyterian Church Kitchen Committee or Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

DEATHS**Evelyn E. McCoy**

Evelyn E. McCoy, age 75, of Dunmore, died Friday, April 17, 1998, in Roanoke, Virginia.

She was born in Hancock County January 29, 1923, the son of Anthony and Jesse Blankenship McCoy.

Surviving her is her friend, Herbert Grimes, of Dunmore.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. John Sullivan. Burial was in Oak Grove Cemetery, Hillsboro.

Shannan McElwee

Word was received of the death of Shannan McElwee, age 42, on Saturday, May 27, 2000, at Orlando, Florida, after a long illness with cancer.

He was the son of Robert and Alice McElwee, of Route 1, Marlinton.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his wife, Linda, and one son, Shannan; a brother, Michael McElwee, and a sister, Connie Wilkes.

A memorial service was scheduled for Wednesday.

MCLAUGHLIN

Elizabeth Price McLaughlin of St. Petersburg, FL, formerly of Lewisburg and Hillsboro, died Thursday, January 20 at Westminster Shores Health Center.

Born in Lewisburg, she moved to St. Petersburg in 1952 from Hillsboro. She was a retired schoolteacher in Hillsboro with 44 years' service. She attended Marshall University, Huntington and graduated from Peabody College, Nashville. She was a member of Pasadena Community Church.

Surviving: sister, Margaret Unger of St. Petersburg, FL; 4 nieces and 3 nephews.

A memorial service will be held January 29 at 11PM at Clifton Presbyterian Church, Maxwellton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Clifton Presbyterian Church Cemetery Fund.

Paul Mullens

Paul E. Mullens, age 55, of Huntersville, died Saturday, March 30, 1996, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center after a long illness.

He was a member and Deacon of the First Baptist Church of Huntersville. He was an Army veteran.

Born April 10, 1940, on Knapps Creek, he was the son of the late Okey H. and Ruby Shinaberry Mullens.

Preceding him in death were his parents and two brothers, Grady and Robert Mullens.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Marie Bell Mullens; two daughters, Debra Lynn Mullens Westmoreland, of San Antonio, Texas, and Nancy Jo Mullens, of Marlinton; two sons, Daniel E. Mullens, of Marlinton, and Hunter Bart Mullens, of Morgantown; and two grandchildren, Candice and Stacy.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Monday at the First Baptist Church of Huntersville by the Rev. Harry Kinchen, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Forrest McClure, Jr.

Forrest McClure, Jr., of Cleveland, Ohio, formerly of Mill Point, died May 29, 1995.

Born April 1, 1936, he was the son of Maude Haugh, of Fort Ashby, and the late Forrest McClure, Sr. He was an Army veteran.

Besides his mother, he is survived by his wife, Linda; six children, Barb, Robert, Lori, Pamela, Kathy and Herbie; ten grandchildren, all of Cleveland, Ohio; one sister, Sylvia Judy, of Fort Ashby.

Services were conducted June 1 at the Stas Funeral Home Cleveland. Final resting place will be at Mill Point beside his father.

Cleve B. McPeak

Cleve B. McPeak, age 67, of Marlinton, died Saturday, August 12, 1995, at Greenbrier Valley Medical Center, Fairlea. He became ill early that morning and died from rupture of an aneurysm.

Mr. McPeak was a retired truck driver with Burlington Industries and a member of the Central Union United Methodist Church. He was a member of Marlinton Masonic Lodge #127, Master, and a member of Marlinton Eastern Star Chapter #97. He belonged to the 5th Regimental Combat Team Association and was an Army veteran of the Korean Conflict. He received the Military Order of the Purple Heart award.

The son of the late Clete and Carrie Andrews McPeak, he was born March 27, 1928, at Pulaski, Virginia.

A brother, Riley S. McPeak, is deceased.

Surviving him are his wife, Hazel J. Jackson McPeak; sons, David Wayne McPeak, of Christiansburg, Virginia, Randall Cruise, of Hopewell, Virginia, Matthew Oley McPeak, of Marlinton; brother, George R. McPeak, of Pulaski, Virginia; sisters, Birdie Serina, Sylvia Coe, and Effie Hollins, all of Pulaski, Virginia, and Pauline Anderson, of North Carolina; and four grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Central Union United Methodist Church by the Rev. Jay Hicks. Burial with Masonic rites was at the Wilfong Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Marlinton Masonic Lodge #127 Building Fund or Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

Edward H. McLaughlin, Jr.

Edward H. McLaughlin, Jr., 67, of New Smyrna Beach, Florida, died July 2, 1998, at Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach, Florida.

He was born in Marlinton on September 14, 1930, the son of Edward and Pearl Dilley McLaughlin.

Mr. McLaughlin was employed by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway and the Southern Railway. In 1955 he moved from Amherst, Virginia, to work for the Florida East Coast Railroad. During his career with FEC he worked in all aspects of railroad operations. He was a resident of New Smyrna Beach since 1957, where he was co-owner and vice-president of the Coronado Travel Agency.

He was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and the Smyrna Yacht Club. He was a former member of the New Smyrna Beach Rotary Club, New Smyrna Beach Golf and Country Club, Fairgreen Country Club, New Smyrna Beach Personnel Board, and co-founded the Committee for Better Schools.

Survivors include his wife, Louise, of New Smyrna Beach; four daughters, Louise Piper, of Fort Pierce, Florida, Margaret Maddington, of Kula Maui, Hawaii, Isabel McLaughlin, of New Smyrna Beach, and Catherine McLaughlin, of DeLand, Florida; two sisters, Grace Shelton and Margaret Deputy, both of Huntersville; and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Lloyd McLaughlin.

The family suggests memorial donations to the American Cancer Society, Southeast Volusia County Unit, P. O. Box 266, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32170.

Selma MacPherson

Selma MacPherson, age 87, of Marlinton, died Monday, September 28, 1998, in Heartland Nursing Home, Beckley.

She was a retired employee of Holly Farm Poultry and a member of St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Marlinton.

Mrs. MacPherson was born June 4, 1911, in Bath County, Virginia, the daughter of Harmon and Nellie Thacker Smith.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Archibald, and a son, Charles S. Alderman.

Surviving her are five sons, Robert, James and Bernard Alderman, Douglas MacPherson, of Richmond, Virginia, and Donald MacPherson, of Wayne, Michigan; five daughters, Lottie Revis, Lorraine Alderman, Alvonia Smith, Elizabeth Martin and Mary Alice Alderman; 41 grandchildren, 82 great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Thursday at VanReenen Funeral Home and funeral services will be held Friday but no times are available yet.

Marjorie McCutcheon Kanode

Marjorie McCutcheon Kanode, age 82, died Monday, December 22, 1997, in the Mountainside Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, San Bernardino, California.

She was born in Glenwood, on November 28, 1915. The family moved to Green Bank in 1927 from Webster Springs. She was a graduate of Green Bank High School, Class of 1933, and attended Concord College. She lived with her mother for several years in Green Bank, and worked at the Cass Country Store, moving back to Columbus in 1980. She went to San Bernardino in 1992.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lake Kanode, her parents, Dr. L.C. McCutcheon and Iva McCutcheon Barnewall, sister, Rebecca McCutcheon, and brother, John McCutcheon.

She is survived by two daughters, Anne Crane Crum, of San Bernardino, California, and Jeanne Frazier, of Little Rock, Arkansas; one son, Jeff Kanode, of Denver, Colorado; three sisters, Jeanne Britton, of Peterborough, New Hampshire; Martha Linkins, of Port St. Lucie, Florida; Rachel McCutchan, of Annapolis, Maryland; four brothers, Clark, of Gaithersburg, Maryland, Leonard, of Port St. Lucie, Bob, of Greencastle, Pennsylvania, and Al Smith, of Tallmadge, Ohio; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held in San Bernardino. Cremation has taken place. A memorial and committal service will be held in Green Bank later in the spring. If desired, memorials may be given to a favorite charity.

Virginia O. McCune

Virginia O. McCune, age 76, of Parkersburg, died Monday, March 2, 1998, at the St. Joseph's Hospital.

She was born September 26, 1921, at Davis, a daughter of the late Dewey Roy and Cora Otice Baker Helmick.

She was a schoolteacher in West Virginia for many years, having taught in Ritchie, Jackson, Pocahontas, and Pleasants Counties. She was a member of the Faith Circle at St. Marys United Methodist Church, a member of the St. Marys Chapter #31 Order of the Eastern Star.

She is survived by six children, Rebecca McCune Daniel, of Parkersburg, Sarah McCune Starr, of Columbus, Ohio, Wesley McCune, of Alexandria, Virginia, Larry McCune, of Hambleton, George McCune, of Belmont, and Rev. James McCune, of Scott Depot; one brother, Dewey Helmick, of Park Forest, Illinois, and eleven grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rev. George W. McCune, who was pastor of the Marlinton United Methodist Church from 1961-1966; two sisters, Esther Helmick Yeardley and Louise Caroline Helmick, and one granddaughter.

A memorial service was held March 7, at 2 p.m. at the St. Paul's United Methodist Church. The family requests that memorial contributions may be made to the Rev. George W. McCune Shoe Fund, c/o Pleasants County Ministerial Alliance, P.O. Box 100, St. Marys, WV 26170.

John Mason McCabe

John Mason McCabe, 45, of Mingo Flats, formerly of Charleston, died Saturday, April 27, 1996, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins, after injuries received in an automobile accident.

He taught adaptive skiing to the disabled athletes at Snowshoe Ski Resort and was a River Guide on the New River for several years. He spent many years working outdoors in West Virginia.

He was a member of the St. Johns Episcopal Church, Charleston, and was a graduate of West Virginia University, earning his Bachelor of Science in Horticulture.

Surviving are one sister, Margaret McCabe Latimer, of Charleston, and two brothers, William B. McCabe, of Randolph County, and Brooks F. McCabe, of Charleston.

Services were held Tuesday at St. Johns Episcopal Church, with the Rev. Karl Ruttan officiating. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Challenged Athletes of West Virginia, P.O. Box 261, Valley Head WV 26294.

Stella McMillion

Stella McMillion, 86, of Marlinton, died Monday, November 3, at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center.

She was born March 13, 1911, the daughter of Mary and Wheeler Holmes.

She was a Baptist.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. McMillion was preceded in death by her husband, Bunyan McMillion, and three children.

She is survived by her children, Pauline McMillion, of Huntersville, Lil McMillion and Virginia Underwood, both of Baltimore, Maryland, Ray McMillion, of Wisconsin, Roger McMillion, of Whitehall, Maryland, Bill McMillion, of Stewartstown, Pennsylvania, and Cleo Congdon, of Frost; two sisters, Rosie Holmes, of Stewartstown, and Ivy Cannap, of Upperco, Maryland; two brothers, Charles Holmes, of Forest Hill, Maryland, and Archie Holmes, of Baltimore; 22 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Interment was at Middleboro, Maryland.

Michael W. McDaniel
Michael Wayne "Rocky" McDaniel, age 31, of Linwood, died Friday, March 17, 1995, in an automobile accident near Savannah, Georgia.

Born August 31, 1963, at San Antonio, Texas, he was the son of Charles and Sue McDaniel, of Scarbro.

Mr. McDaniel was a 1982 graduate of Oak Hill High School, where he starred in football and baseball. He played baseball at Concorde College, where he graduated with a B.A. Degree in Education. He taught in Fayette

and Raleigh Counties, in addition to working at Davis Stuart School in Lewisburg.

He was a manager for Champs Sports in Charlotte, North Carolina, and Savannah, Georgia, from 1989 to 1994; he left there and came in October to help open Elk Mountain Outfitters, an outdoor shop at Snowshoe, serving as shop manager.

In addition to his parents he is survived by a brother, Charles "Whitey" McDaniel and his wife, Clare, of Morgantown; two step-brothers, Clinton Howard, of Germantown, Maryland, and Jeff Moran, of Roanoke, Virginia; grandmothers, Juanita Toney, of Dothan, and Nell McDaniel, of Oak Hill. Clare McDaniel is the sister of Mary Willis and John McCormack, of Slatyfork.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday at the Oak Hill Gospel Tabernacle by Rev. David Gallimore, with entombment at High Lawn Memorial Park Mausoleum, Oak Hill.

Warron Odell "Boo" McCarty
Warron Odell "Boo" McCarty, 69, of Frost, died Saturday, May 6, 1995, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins.

He was a truck driver.

The son of the late Lanty and Tabytha Bowers McCarty, he was born at Frost October 4, 1925.

Preceding him in death were his parents; six brothers, George McCarty, Letch McCarty, Jess McCarty, Frank McCarty, Ledford McCarty, and Dale McCarty; and two sisters, Viola Buzzard and Mary Bussard.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. David Rittenhouse, with burial in Mount Zion Cemetery.

A. Leo Morgan

A. Leo Morgan, age 73, of Lewisburg, died November 25, 1999, in University of Virginia Hospital, Charlottesville, Virginia, after a short illness.

He was a retired postmaster with 22 years' service and a real estate agent for Greenbrier Real Estate Service, and was a member of Rotary Club and the American Legion. He was a member of the Ronceverte Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder, clerk and past deacon. He was an Army veteran of World War II.

Surviving him are his wife, Helen Virginia Honaker Morgan; three sons, Kirwan Morgan, of Chatham, Massachusetts, Nick Morgan, of Mechanicsville, Virginia, and J. D. Morgan, of Snowshoe; two sisters, Margaret Deaver and Ruth Taylor, both of Ronceverte; two brothers, Mack D. Morgan and Arthur S. Morgan, both of Ronceverte; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at Ronceverte Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Phillip Graber; burial was in the Morgan Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Ronceverte Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund.

Lonnie L. Malcomb

Lonnie Lee Malcomb, 58, of Salem, Virginia, died November 1, 1999, at Lewis Gale Hospital in Salem.

He was born on March 30, 1941, in Marlinton, the son of Harry and Thina Neighbors Malcomb.

Mr. Malcomb was an assembly worker at Graham White Manufacturing and a Protestant.

Survivors include two sisters, Madeline Lovelace, of Roanoke, Virginia, and Helen Cornett, of Raceland, Kentucky.

Visitation will be on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at VanRensselaer Home. Services will be at 2 p.m. at the Funeral Home with the Rev. Wallace Dorn officiating. Burial will be in the Mountain View Cemetery.

Jack David Morrison

Jack David Morrison, infant son of Douglas G. and Kristie Rataiczak Morrison, of Buckeye, was stillborn August 4, 2000, at home.

Also surviving are a sister, Callie Rene Morrison, of Buckeye; paternal grandparents, Jack and Rosalee Morrison, of Buckeye; maternal grandparents, Phyllis and James Waugh, of Buckeye; maternal great-grandparents, Joseph and Lena Tawney, of Buckeye, and Norma Rataiczak, of Port St. Lucie, Florida, and Corene Waugh, of Marlinton.

Graveside service was held Sunday afternoon by Pastor Jack Burks at the McNeill Cemetery, near Buckeye.

George A. Myles

George Anderson Myles, 84, of Elkins, died on May 7, 1999, in the Elkins Regional Convalescent Center after a long illness.

He was born on September 5, 1914, at Clifftop, the only son of George T. and Ollie Anderson Myles.

Mr. Myles was graduated from West Virginia University in 1942, as a member of one of the first classes of the new School of Forestry. During World War II he worked as a wood specialist in the U. S. Technical Services.

Following the war he began in the sawmill business at Goshen, Virginia, in 1946, moving to Elkwater in 1951 and to the present site of Myles Lumber Company south of Elkins in 1961. In 1982 Mr. Myles and W. M. Cramer acquired the R. S. Burruss mill at Marlinton.

Mr. Myles was active in promoting and supporting the forestry industry in the state, involved in civic activities in Elkins, and member of the Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church.

On August 7, 1937, he married the former Virginia Rexrode, of Marlinton, who preceded him in death last year.

Survivors include one daughter, June B. Myles, of Redding, Connecticut, and one sister, Frances Marford, of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Services were held on Tuesday at the Davis Memorial Church with the Rev. Dr. Sheldon Sorge officiating. Burial was in the Maplewood Cemetery at Elkins.

Memorial gifts may be made to the W. Va. Forestry Endowment Fund, c/o Eugene Shreve, 19 Park Street, Buckhannon, WV 26201 or the charity of your choice.

Vada P. Money

Vada "Polly" Kathleen Money, 57, of Conneaut Lake, Pennsylvania, formerly of Espyville, Pennsylvania, died June 7, 1995, at home.

She was born at Thornwood

September 24, 1937, the daughter of the late James C. and Sallie D. Murphy Teter.

She was a teller for Andover Bank for several years and was a member of Espyville United Methodist Church.

Surviving her are a son, Mark James, of Butler, Pennsylvania; a sister, Patricia Hawes, of Pennsylvania; and a brother, Capt. Eugene V. Teter, of Alexandria, Virginia.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home at Arbovale, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

Obituaries continued

Joe W. Morgan

Joe W. Morgan, 58, of Nantahala Community, Topton, North Carolina, died Saturday, April 19, 1997, in an Andrews Hospital.

He was a native of Macon County, where he had lived most of his life. He was the son of Lottie Garey Morgan, of Andrews, and the late Walter C. Morgan.

He had served for six years in the National Guard. He had worked for General Motors in Willow Run, Michigan, for 12 years; and had worked 23 years with Magnavox and Bakers Furniture and was presently a paramedic, with Macon County EMS.

He was a member of Bethel Hill Baptist Church.

Joe was preceded in death by two brothers, Edward and Cecil Morgan.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Phyllis Baker Morgan; a daughter, Sheryl Gregory, of Nantahala; one son, Kenneth Morgan, of Buckeye; four sisters, Mildred Grant, of Nantahala, Joyce Owenby, Janice Dockery and Madge Morgan, all of Andrews, North Carolina; and three grandchildren.

Services were held on April 22, at Bethel Hill Baptist Church with the Revs. Roy Lindsey and Buford Owenby officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The family requests memorials be made to American Cancer Society, c/o Margaret Stratton, P.O. Box 1130, Andrews, NC 28901.

Brianna Paige Moore

Brianna Paige Moore, of Concord, North Carolina, died at birth at the Northeast medical Center in Concord on Monday, August 7, 2000.

The infant is survived by her parents, Thomas Jason and Michelle Moore, of Concord; brother, Joseph, at home; grandparents, Thomas and LuAnne Moore, of Orlando, Florida, and Bill and Margaret Smith, of Gainesville, Georgia, and Winston Kelly, of Bainbridge, Georgia; great-grandparents Lucy C. Moore, of Marlinton and Louise Kelly, of Bainbridge.

Arrangements for services are incomplete at this time.

Maggie Maupin

Maggie Ellen Galford Maupin, age 77, of White Sulphur Springs, died Thursday, July 11, 1996 in Alleghany Regional Hospital, Low Moor, Virginia, following an extended illness.

She was born November 29, 1918, at Cass, a daughter of the late Levi C. and Mary Bertha Gragg Galford.

She was a member of the Alvon United Methodist Church and was a former employee of Legg's Cleaners in White Sulphur Springs.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence Maupin, in 1990; one son, George B. Tallman, in 1993; three sisters, Eula Vass, Goldie Kellison and Emma Griffin; two brothers, Calvin and Lawrence Galford.

She is survived by one son, Marvin C. Tallman, Richmond, Virginia; one daughter, Mrs. Evelyn M. Wyatt, Hampton, Virginia; two brothers, Moody Galford, Millville, Pennsylvania, and Walter Galford of Montana; one sister, Mrs. Lucille Sprouse of Frost; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Private funeral services were held with interment in the Mapledale Cemetery, White Sulphur Springs.

Lori Ann Morrison

Lori Ann Armstrong Morrison, age 27, of Buckeye, died Sunday, August 3, 1997, at the home of her parents at Buckeye after a long illness.

Mrs. Morrison was born at Elkins November 22, 1969, the daughter of Robert A. and Shirley Doss Armstrong.

She was a member of the Mount Kinnison Church of God, and served on the Autumn Harvest Festival Committee.

A brother, Ricky Allen Armstrong, is deceased.

In addition to her parents she is survived by her husband, Douglas G. Morrison; a daughter, Callie Rene Morrison; and three sisters, Virginia S. Calhoun and Melissa L. Bennett, of Marlinton, and Cristina D. Liptrap, of Richburg, South Carolina.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at VanReenen Funeral Home by Pastor H. Jack Burks, with burial in the McNeill Cemetery at Buckeye.

Memorial gifts may be made to the American Cancer Society.

William S. Mason, Sr.

William Samuel Mason, Sr., age 60, of Orange, Virginia, died Friday, October 29, 1999, at his residence.

Born December 13, 1938, in Orange, he was a son of the late Charles C. and Mary E. Mason.

He was an employee of the Arthur Berry Fencing Company.

Mr. Mason is survived by one daughter, Ann E. Mason, of Orange; one son, William S. "Billy" Mason, of Hillsboro; two brothers, Johnny Mason and Bobby Mason, both of Orange; five sisters, Dorris Morris, of Charlottesville, Virginia, Peggy Shifflette, of Rochelle, Virginia, Shirley McClary, of Gordonsville, Virginia, and Betty Bober and Sara Watson, both of Orange; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held November 2 at Graham Cemetery in Orange.

Dorothy Montgomery

Mrs. Dorothy "Dottie" Ross Montgomery, age 84, of Clifton Forge, Virginia, died Wednesday, June 21, 1995, at the home of her son, Harold Montgomery, of Mill Point.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church.

She was born in Bath County on April 21, 1911, the daughter of the late Robert L. and Shelia Weade Ross.

Mrs. Montgomery was the widow of Leslie Raymond Montgomery, who preceded her in death in 1983.

Surviving her are a daughter, Bess Riggles, of Boones Mill, Virginia; two sons, Harold Montgomery, Mill Point, and Bobby Montgomery, of Roanoke, Virginia; 12 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 11 a. m. at the Nicely Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Andy Nash. Interment was in the Central Advent Christian Cemetery.

David and Anita Mallow are proud to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Tyler Ann on June 2, 1998.

Tyler weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Wayne and Nancy Liptrap, of Marlinton. Paternal grandparents are Don Mallow, of Belington, and Mary Tinney, of Buckhannon.

DEATHS

Melvin Reese Moore

Melvin Reese Moore, age 68, of Marlinton, died Tuesday, May 2, 1995, in Rockingham Memorial Hospital, Harrisonburg, Virginia, after a long illness.

He was a retired truck driver for Marlinton Electric Company and was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church. He was a Navy veteran of World War II.

Born at Buckeye November 15, 1926, he was a son of Mary Miller Moore, of Marlinton, and the late Warren Moore.

Preceding him in death were his father, two sons, Harold Moore and Melvin Reese, Jr., and two grandchildren.

Surviving him in addition to his mother are his wife, Lucy Kellison Moore; two sons, Richard Moore, of Glen Morgan, and Tom Moore, of Orlando, Florida; five daughters, Sue Helton, Sally Parks and Carol Moore, all of Marlinton, Jane Kelley, of Minnehaha Springs, and Patty Cloonan, of Buckeye; one brother, Vinton Moore, of Marlinton; four sisters, Oleta Dunbrack and Louise Johnson, both of Marlinton, Juanita McLaughlin, of Huntersville, and Colleen Hall, of Hillsboro; and ten grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2:00 p. m. Thursday at the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Richard Newkirk, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Gladys E. Moore

Gladys E. Moore, age 88, Route 2, Browns Creek, Marlinton, died Saturday, December 4, 1999, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She was member of the Methodist Church.

Born May 22, 1911, she was the daughter of the late Elbert and Bessie McLaughlin McCarty.

Her husband, Moody Moore, and a brother, Carl McCarty, are deceased.

Survivors include a sister, Geraldine McCarty Smith, of Marlinton, and a brother, Lynn McCarty, of Neola.

Graveside services were held Monday at 1 p. m. by the Rev. Jerry Moore in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

DEATHS

Margaret Hope Mallow

Margaret Hope Hull Mallow, age 88, of Durbin, died August 25, 1997, in Davis Memorial Hospital, Elkins, after an extended illness.

She was a member of Durbin United Methodist Church and a retired teacher with 40 years' service.

Mrs. Mallow was born October 26, 1908, in Pocahontas County to the late C. Forrest and Laura Hudson Hull.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lester Mallow; one sister, Louise Gochenour; two brothers, Hudson and Donald Hull; and her step-mother, Elizabeth Hull.

Surviving her are one sister, Hazel Hull Bennett, of Parsons, and a brother, L. Whitman Hull, of Harrisville.

Service will be held Friday, 1:30 p.m. at Durbin United Methodist Church by the Rev. Phyllis Cox. Burial will be in Arbovale Cemetery.

Friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Home, Arbovale.

Arthur John Must, Sr.

Arthur John Must, Sr., 86, of Atlanta, Georgia, died at home Friday, September 19, 1997.

He was born April 29, 1911, in New York City, the son of the late John Jacob and Martha Keller Must, who had emigrated from Estonia.

Mr. Must was widely known in his youth as an athlete and a champion oarsman. He was a member of the Army's historic Seventh Regiment of New York and went on to distinctive service as an officer with the Army Air Corps during World War II. He retired from the United States Air Force as a Lieutenant Colonel.

He is survived by his wife, Eloise, of Atlanta; two sons, Arthur, of Atlanta, and Robert, of Hillsboro; one daughter, Martha Must Dowis, of Atlanta; three grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at Glenn Memorial Methodist Church in Atlanta.

Raymond W. Mace

Raymond W. Mace, of Bushnell, Florida, died Sunday, September 21, 1997, at home after a long illness.

Mr. Mace was a retired school teacher, who taught in Virginia and Maryland. He spent 16 months in the CCC's in Camp SP-1 Seebert. He was a graduate of New River State (now known as West Virginia Institute of Technology, Montgomery, West Virginia University of Morgantown, and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Born on Elk, February 13, 1916, he was the son of the late John Davis and Nelia K. Mace.

He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Cora M. Mace, cousins, L. B. Beverage, Bushnell, Florida; Arlie Mace, of Elk, and several other cousins.

Graveside services were held on September 27.

Rodney J. Meikle

Rodney Jackson Meikle, age 40, of Lantana, Florida, formerly of South Charleston, died August 20, 1997, in Delray Beach, Florida.

He was a graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology, Montgomery, and a former employee of Metro Electric, West Palm Beach.

Surviving him are his parents, Orland Tom and Audrey Meikle, of Arbovale; five sisters, Patricia MacNamee, of Lantana, Pamela Meikle, of Arbovale, Peggy Johnson, Benita Booth and Susan Cook, all of Lake Worth, Florida; and maternal grandmother, Katie Fitzwater, of Charleston.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday at Curry Funeral Home, Alum Creek, by the Rev. John Sullivan. Burial was in Forks of Coal Memorial Park, Alum Creek.

Larry Moore

Larry "Joey" Moore, age 50, of St. Albans, died October 10, 1997, at home after a short illness.

He was a member of Boiler Maker Local 667, Winfield, and was an Army veteran.

Surviving him are a daughter, Leslie Jo Bartley, of St. Albans; two sons, Larry Joe Moore, Jr., of South Charleston, and Brandon Seth Moore, of Pocahontas County; five sisters, Garnett Jeffries, of Cross Lanes, Earlene Waggoner, of Garrettsville, Ohio, Anna Chandler, of Charleston, Macel Rider, of Clinton, Ohio, Sandra Amick, of Summersville, and Cindy Elswick, of North Carolina; a brother, Harrison Buddy Rapp, of Amma; and six grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at Snodgrass Funeral Home, South Charleston, by the Rev. Starr.

BIRTH

Jeff and Cynthia Miller, of Marlinton, would like to announce the birth of their first child, a son, Jared Winters.

Jared was born at 10:21 p.m., Thursday, July 2, 1998, in the Greenbrier Valley Medical Center. He weighed 7 pounds, 10.2 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Raymond and Betty Cochran, of Marlinton. Maternal great-grandparents are Frances Robinson, of Marlinton, and the late Merle Robinson.

Paternal grandparents are Betty Miller, of Buckeye, and the late Winters Miller.

Kay Meeks

Mrs. Kay Meeks, age 85, of Covington, died Thursday, August 14, 1997, at Lewis Gale Hospital, Roanoke.

She was born March 19, 1912, in Logan County, a daughter of the

late Benjamin Harrison and Mary Peck Mounts.

She was a member of Covington Baptist Church.

She came to Covington in 1933, and was employed by the Industrial Rayon Corporation for a short period of time. She retired from Kelly Produce Market.

Survivors include her husband, Pearl Cameron Meeks; one son, Dr. Benjamin Cameron Meeks, D.D.S., of Covington; six sisters, Bea Davis, of Beckley; Agnes Dean, of Pontiac, Michigan; Mercedes Bragg and Arlis Hannah, both of Florida; JoAnn Nicely and Jean Baird, both of Cleveland, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Service was conducted August 17, in the chapel of Loving Funeral Home with the Dr. William H. Harris, Jr. officiating. Interment was in Alleghany Memorial Park.

The family requested that memorial contributions be made to the Alleghany Humane Society Shelter, 304 Karnes Road, Covington, Virginia 24426.

DEATHS

Paul Mac Moats

Paul Mac Moats, age 77, of Durbin, died Wednesday, October 15, 1997, in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Clarksburg.

Mr. Moats was born May 23, 1920, at Frank, and was the son of the late Ralph and Velta E. White Moats.

He was a member of Durbin Church of the Brethren and was an employee of Howes Leather Company for 27 years. He was a veteran of WWII after serving four years and was a member of the American Legion.

He was preceded in death by three brothers, Jack, Jim and Harold Moats, and a sister, Virginia.

Surviving him are his wife, Helen Kathleen Vandevander Moats; daughters, Evelyn C. Warner, of Beverly, Paula J. Wood, of Benson, North Carolina, and Gloria E. Tingle, of Cherry Grove; son, Gary W. Moats, of Elkins; sisters, Mary Lou Moats, of Elkins, Ida Mae Blair, of Ohio; brothers, Clarence, of Missouri, George, of Ohio, John, of Pennsylvania, and Dale, of Charleston; twelve grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held October 18, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Chapel in Arbovale by the Rev. Donnie Curry and Rev. David Rittenhouse with burial at the Wilmoth Cemetery on Buffalo Mountain.

Raymond W. Mace

Raymond W. Mace, age 81, of Bushnell, Florida, originally from Elk Valley, died Sunday, September 21, 1997, in Bushnell.

Visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday. Graveside services will be held at Gibson Cemetery in Elk Valley, at 11 a.m. Saturday, September 27, with VanReenen Funeral in charge of arrangements.

Geraldine Janice Tomi

Geraldine Janice Tomi, age 74, of Dallas, Texas, died August 29, 1997, after a long illness.

Born October 8, 1922, at Franklin, she was the daughter and one of five children of the late Ella and Arlie William Carter.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, Frank Malone and James Tomi; two sisters, Naomi Carter and a baby sister, Jessie Hentia; and a brother, Arlie Carter.

Her only surviving sister is Ella Carter, of Marlinton. Also surviving her are two daughters, Audette and Patricia, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at House of Prayer in Dallas, with burial in Dallas.

Hildreth T. Meadows

Hildreth Townsend Meadows, age 72, of Marlinton, died Friday, October 11, 1997, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital, after suffering a heart attack.

She worked at the Pentagon and as financial secretary at Ashford General Hospital, White Sulphur Springs, before going to work at Pocahontas County Court House. She was a Deputy County Clerk and then was elected County Clerk from 1956-68 and 1974-1986 when she retired. She was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church.

The daughter of the late Clyde and Nellie Kelly Townsend, she was born at Frost November 8, 1924.

Surviving her are her husband of 48 years, Rudolph L. (Bill Bob) Meadows; a son, Stephen W. Meadows, of Charleston; a brother, Barthel C. Townsend, of Romney; and a sister, Loretta Malcomb, of Marlinton.

The funeral was held at 12 noon Monday in the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Randall Benson, with burial in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Marlinton Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund or Women of the Church Kitchen Committee.

Ralph N. Gillispie

Ralph Newton Gillispie, age 78, of Baltimore, Maryland, passed away July 9, 1995, at Union Memorial Hospital in Baltimore.

Mr. Gillispie was a tool and die maker for National Can Company.

He was born November 17, 1916, at Green Bank, son of the late Willie Clyde and Laura Irvine Gillispie.

A brother, Ray Gillispie, preceded him in death.

Surviving him are his wife, Delors Wright Gillispie; a daughter, Jacqueline G. Alessi, and a son, Donald Newton Gillispie, both of Baltimore; two sisters, Opal Riley, of Morgantown, and Louise Sheckler, of Sagertown, Pennsylvania; a brother, Robert Gillispie, of Washington, D. C.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, July 13, at 10 a. m. at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home in Arboreale by the Rev. Peter Maier, pastor of the Liberty Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in the Arboreale Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Liberty Presbyterian Church, Green Bank, or Arboreale United Methodist Church, Arboreale.

Mrs. Lucy Bell

Mrs. Lucy Bell died Tuesday night, March 20, 1984, in the Pocahontas Continuous Care Center after a long illness.

Services will be held at 1 p. m. Monday in Boyd Funeral Home in Marion, Ohio.

Miss Glenna V. Gibson

Miss Glenna V. Gibson, 79, of Marlinton, died 1:20 p.m., March 20, 1984, in the Roanoke Memorial Rehabilitation Center after a long illness. She was the daughter of the late Sherman and L. Kate Gibson, of Frost.

She was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church, a former member of the Eastern Star at Huntersville and a teacher for 38 years in the schools of Pocahontas County.

Surviving her are a sister, Mrs. Veva Gilmer and a brother, Raymond L. Gibson, both of Marlinton. Preceding her in death were brothers Richard A. Gibson and Samuel S. Gibson and a sister, Mrs. Edna G. Gay.

Services will be held at the VanReenen Funeral Home at 2 p.m., Friday, March 23, with the Rev. Richard Newkirk officiating. Burial will be in the Mountain View Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers contribu-

William Sterl Gibson

William Sterl Gibson, 63, of 116 Belknap Road, Goose Creek, South Carolina, died Monday, December 28, 1987, at his home.

The son of Willie S. Gibson, of Marlinton, and the late Stella Catherine Meeks Gibson, he was born at Marlinton November 24, 1924. Also preceding him in death was a brother, Crawford.

Mr. Gibson was a former member of the Goose Creek City Council, a former member of the Goose Creek Exchange Club, and former youth coach with the Goose Creek Parks and Playgrounds. He was a retired employee of the Coastal Center in Ladson. A veteran of World War II, he served with the U. S. Navy for 24 years. He was a Baptist.

Surviving in addition to his father are his wife, Naomi Gibson; a daughter, Mrs. Sandy Gibson Ackerman, of Summerville, South Carolina; four sons, Floyd E. Gibson, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, Robert Lloyd Gibson, William Boyd Gibson, and Randy Gibson, all of Goose Creek; eight sisters, Mrs. Goldie Sampson, Upland, California, Mrs. Gertrude LaBoe, St. Charles, Michigan, Mrs. Genevieve Dinkins and Mrs. Penny Drewery, both of Taylor, Michigan, Mrs. Mamie Napier, Columbia, South Carolina, Mrs. Dottie Gay, Lorain, Ohio, Mrs. Louise Begley, of Riverview, Michigan, and Mrs. Carolyn Palko, of Marlinton; three brothers, Kemp Gibson, of Charlemon, Massachusetts, Collett Gibson, of Ocean Ridge, Florida, and Granville Gibson, Fresno, California; thirteen grandchildren.

Services were held at 1 p. m., Saturday, January 2, at the VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. John Hamilton, of Goose Creek, South Carolina, with burial in the Gibson Cemetery on Elk.

DEATHS

James Allen Gum

James Allen Gum, 34, of Green Bank, died Sunday, June 25, 1995, at home of polymyositis after thirteen years' illness.

He had worked on construction at the Pumped Storage Project at Mountain Grove and was an Army veteran.

The son of Maxie A. and Eva Gail Johnston Gum, he was born at Bartow November 9, 1960.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Max Gum, and a sister, Anna Dickenson, both of Green Bank.

Graveside services were held at 1 p. m. Wednesday at Arboreale Cemetery by the Rev. David Fuller.

Memorial gifts may be made to Green Bank - Bartow - Cass Fire Departments.

Raymond L. Gibson

Raymond Layton Gibson, 88, of Marlinton, died Wednesday, December 30, 1987, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after suffering a stroke.

A native of Frost, he was born September 12, 1899, the son of Sherman and L. Kate Dever Gibson.

Mr. Gibson graduated from West Virginia University as a civil engineer and worked for the Corps of Engineers on flood control from October, 1929, to December, 1965. He was principal engineer in selection of projects for planning and construction for the Ohio River Basin. Most of his career he resided in Cincinnati, Ohio. For his work he received a letter of commendation in 1959 from the Chief of Engineers, Washington, D. C., commending him for outstanding service.

He was united in marriage to Marion Wood on March 17, 1934.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his daughter, Barbara Gibson Emery, of Cleveland, Ohio; his son, Raymond Layton Gibson, Jr., of Cincinnati, Ohio; his sister, Mrs. Veva Gilmer, of Marlinton; and seven grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were two brothers, Samuel and Richard Gibson, and two sisters, Glenna Gibson and Edna Lee Gay.

He was a member for many years of Immanuel Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was elder, trustee, and Sunday School teacher. At the time of his death he was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Gibson was a member of the Marlinton Lions Club, receiving the Lion of the Year Award in 1980-81; Masonic Lodge #65 since 1926; and the Alpha Alpha Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho.

Funeral services were held Saturday, January 2nd, at 2 p. m. at the Marlinton Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Richard Newkirk and the Rev. Wilfred Cornelius officiating. Burial was in Mountain View Cemetery.

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Joyce Asher Gay

Joyce Asher Gay, age 60, of Rt. 1, Marlinton, died Thursday, July 31, 1997, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

She was a retired custodian for the Board of Education in Baltimore County, Maryland, and was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Born in Letcher County, Kentucky, June 5, 1937, she was the daughter of the late Anderson Asher and Mabel Baker Asher.

Two sisters, Jelama Clark and Loyce Strawder, preceded her in death.

Surviving her is her husband, Samuel S. Gay; a daughter, Carol S. Sharp, of Marlinton; a brother, Virgil Asher, of Baltimore, Maryland; and two grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Friday at 2 p. m. by the Rev. Carl Holland in the Cochran Cemetery.

Glenna C. Grotz

Glenna C. Grotz, age 83, died June 10, 2000, in Seattle.

Born at Buckeye on February 25, 1917, she was the daughter of Jason B. and Hattie Sharp Cloonan.

She married Stoll F. Grotz on October 13, 1955.

She was a 1936 graduate of Craigsville High School, Virginia, also a graduate of National Business College, Roanoke, Virginia.

She worked 15 years at Hercules Powder Company as a bookkeeper in Wilmington, Delaware. She was a member of Hillcrest United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Grotz was preceded in death by her husband, Stoll F. Grotz, in 1982.

She is survived by one brother, Fred M. Cloonan, of Seattle, two sisters, Pinnie Land, of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Eva Jane White, of Marlinton, and several nieces and nephews.

Her body was laid to rest with grave side rites in Wilmington, Delaware, at Riverview Cemetery.

Edwin Lee (Ted) Galford

Edwin Lee (Ted) Galford, age 83, of Dunmore, died Thursday, October 30, 1997, in Lewis Gale Hospital, Salem, Virginia.

He was a retired lineman with Puget Power Company in the State of Washington.

Born at Dunmore August 6, 1914, he was the son of the late George and Laura Porterfield Galford.

His wife, now deceased, was Bunny Phillipsen Galford. Also deceased are four brothers, Dewey, Roy, Lincoln, and Bernard Galford.

Surviving him are a daughter, Sharon Crosta, of Port Orchard, Washington; two sons, Robert Galford, of Oregon, and Tom Galford, of Seattle, Washington; a sister, Mildred Goodman, of Mansfield, Ohio; a brother, Neil Galford, of Dunmore; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His body was cremated and a family service will be held.

Lawrence B. Gillespie

Lawrence B. Gillespie, 84, of Marlinton, died Thursday, September 11, 1997, in Meadowbrook Acres Nursing Center after a long illness.

He was former owner of Gillespie Welding Service, Charleston, a former employee of the Kanawha County Board of Education and a member of Church of Christ, Sissonville.

Mr. Gillespie is survived his wife, Genevieve P. Gillespie; son, Ivan I., of Cross Lanes; daughter, Nancy Board, of Charleston; stepsons, Lawrence and Samuel Jones, both of Nitro, Curtis Jones, of Gloucester, Virginia; stepdaughters, Patricia Fierbaugh, of Charleston, Carolyn Thayer, of Gloucester; sister, Edna Mae Lynch, of Orlando, Florida; half-brother, James Dean Gillespie, of Cherryville, North Carolina; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at Keller Funeral Home, Dunbar, with Stephan K. Poyet officiating. Burial was in Tyler Mountain Memory Gardens, Cross Lanes.

Andrew James Galford

Andrew James Galford, age 95, of Marlinton, died at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center on Friday, October 10, 1997.

Mr. Galford was a retired farmer and a Protestant.

He was born at Woodrow July 29, 1902, the son of John and Frances VanReenen Galford.

He was preceded in death by his two wives, Minnie White Galford and Florence Kerr Bennett Galford; five brothers, Charlie, Summers, Fred, Emmitt, and Henry Galford; two sisters, Mattie Jordan and Flossie Friel; and one great-grandchild.

Surviving him are a daughter, Mable Galford, and a son, Robert Galford, both of Marlinton; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Jay Hicks, with burial in Cochran Cemetery.

Joshua Jackson Gibby

Joshua Jackson Gibby, age 17, of Bryson City, North Carolina, died Saturday, July 12, 1997.

A native of West Virginia, he had been a resident of Swain County, North Carolina, since 1991. He is the son of Russell and Nancy Hefner Gibby, of Bryson City. He was a rising senior at Swain County High School and was on the Varsity football team. He attended Whittier Church of God.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a twin brother, Jeremiah Gibby, a sister, Jennifer Fortner, of Bryson City; paternal grandparents, Ray and Mildred Gib-

Glen Joseph Guarnieri

Glen Joseph Guarnieri, age 81, of Buford, Georgia, died April 10, 1996.

He was a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and retired from Aeronautical Design as a metallurgical engineer, was a veteran of the Navy, a member of A.S.M., and a member of the Buford Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Allen Guarnieri, of Buford; daughters, Alice Jo Rossington, Panorama, City, California, Jennifer Dee Borgen, Buford, Marie Louise Barr, Cicero, Indiana; sons, Frederic J. of Key West, Florida, Alan of Tulsa, Oklahoma; fourteen grandchildren, one great-grandchild.

Services were held on April 13, at Buford Presbyterian Church with Dr. John Roark officiating.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Buford Presbyterian Church, 1242 Buford Highway, Buford, GA 30518.

Obit

William W. Galford

William W. Galford, 56, of Indianapolis, formerly of Green Bank, died May 25, 1993, at Community Hospital East, Indianapolis, after a long illness.

He was a retired lieutenant colonel in the Army and director of transportation operations at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War and a graduate of Marshall and Bucknell Universities and was an Eagle Scout.

The son of the late Glen and Ruth Hudson Galford, he was born September 27, 1936, at Green Bank.

Five brothers and two sisters preceded him in death: Kent, Ray, Wallace, Jim, and John Galford, Helen Galford and Gayle Doss.

He is survived by his wife, Jane Marks Galford; son, Staff Sergeant John W. Galford, of California; three daughters, Joan DesJardins, Kelly Pruitt and Lori Justice, all of Indianapolis; two brothers, Harper Galford, of Green Bank, and Marvin Galford, of Charleston; three sisters, Viola Lantz, of Green Bank, Betty Kennison, of Niceville, Florida, and Roxie Morrison, of Slaty Fork; stepsister, Eleanor McLaughlin, of Huntersville, and two stepbrothers, Chester and Shad McLaughlin, both of Marlinton; and four grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Saturday at Crown Hill Funeral Home in Indianapolis.

Margaret Greathouse

Margaret Lucille Greathouse, 87, of Lititz, Pennsylvania, formerly of Monterey, Virginia, and Durbin, died on March 1, 1996, at United Zion Retirement Community.

She was born on December 14, 1908, at Seebert, a daughter of Dekalb and Eva Gumm Kennison.

Her husband Herbert H. Greathouse, died on October 30, 1987.

Surviving are two sons, Robert of Charleston, South Carolina, and Larry Greathouse of Lititz; three daughters, Phyllis Houchin and Carol Arter, both of Lititz, and Linda Moyers, of Monterey; two brothers, Stanley Kennison, of Niceville, Florida, and James Tyree, of Hillsboro; a sister, Jane Linebaugh, of Delaware, Ohio; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, March 4, at Highland Baptist Church, in Monterey, by the Rev. Jerry Ginn, with burial at Bethel Cemetery, Durbin.

Memorials may be made to Highland Baptist Church Building Fund, HC 1, Box 5, Monterey, VA 24467.

William Grimes, Jr.

William Grimes, Jr., 80, of the West Virginia Masonic Home in Parkersburg, formerly of Oak Hill and Charleston, died suddenly at the Masonic home March 4, 1996. He was born June 8, 1915, at Clifton Forge, Virginia, a son of the late William Sr. and Mary Shrader Grimes, who lived in Pocahontas County at one time.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, a welder with the Charleston pipefitters union, member of the Charleston operating engineers local #132 and the Oak Hill Masonic Lodge, the Scottish Rite bodies and the Beni Kedem Shrine Temple.

He is survived by two sons, Ronald L. Grimes, of Nitro, and Larry W. Grimes, of Edisto Island, South Carolina; two brothers, Harlan Grimes, of Marlinton, and Mulvie Grimes, of Covington, Virginia; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Violet Reese Grimes, one brother and one sister.

Memorial services were held March 13, 1996, at the Memorial Cemetery, Rainelle, with the Rev. James B. Arbogast officiating.

Maudeline M. Galford

Maudeline Moses Galford, age 87, of Marlinton, died Sunday, February 1, 1998, in St. Francis Hospital in Charleston.

She was a member of the Marlinton Church of the Nazarene.

The daughter of the late Joseph L. Moses, Sr., and Columbia Hansford Moses, she was born February 13, 1910, at Parsons.

A sister, Dessie M. Nottingham, and four brothers, William J. Moses, Walter W.

Moses, Dorse C. Moses, and Percy E. Moss, preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, Clark C. Galford; two daughters, Janice G. Dorn, of Marlinton, and Brenda G. Sheridan, of Princeton; two sons, Elwood C. Galford, of Ashland, Kentucky; a brother, Joseph L. Moses, of Marlinton; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Wednesday at the Marlinton Church of the Nazarene by the Rev. Wallace Dorn and the Rev. William Sheridan. Burial was in the Cochran Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Marlinton Church of the Nazarene.

Veva G. Gilmer

Veva Gibson Gilmer, age 93, of Marlinton, died Wednesday, March 22, 1995, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

She was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church and the Pocahontas County Historical Society.

Her parents were Sherman and Catherine "Kate" Dever Gibson. She was born October 23, 1901, at the family farm at Frost, where she grew up and spent much time later.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Samuel A. Gilmer; two sisters, Edna Gibson Gay and Glenna V. Gibson, who died March 20, 1984; and three brothers, Richard, Samuel and Raymond Gibson.

Several nieces and nephews survive her.

Graveside services were held at 11 a. m. Friday by the Rev. Richard Newkirk in Rosewood Cemetery at Lewisburg. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

William Harlon Gillespie

William Harlon Gillespie, age 84, of Monterey, Virginia, died Friday, July 28, 2000, at the Bridgewater Home, Inc.

Mr. Gillespie graduated from Green Bank High School, then attended National Business College in Roanoke, Virginia. He served in the U. S. Navy from January 1944 until February 1946. He worked for West Virginia Pulp & Paper Company in Cass and the J. E. Arbogast Lumber Company in Monterey. He was Postmaster in Monterey when he retired in 1976. He was a member of the Monterey United Methodist Church, VFW Post 4989, and the Highland County Volunteer Fire Department.

He was born April 3, 1916, at Cass, a son of Connell P. and Hattie Jackson Gillespie.

Survivors include two sisters, Mary Ann G. Corbett, of Richmond, Virginia, and Ruth G. Simpson, of Bethesda, Maryland.

A graveside service was conducted Tuesday morning at the Monterey Cemetery by the Rev. Jerry Ginn.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice.

Helen McCloud

Mrs. Helen Holevas McCloud, 55, of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, died November 22, 1992, at Pocono Medical Center, East Stroudsburg, after a long illness.

She was born July 22, 1937, in Baltimore, Maryland, the daughter of Steven and Mary Pappas

Holevas.

Her mother and a brother, William, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are her husband, James C. McCloud; a son, David S. McCloud, and a daughter, Donna Marie McCloud, all of East Stroudsburg; her father, Steven Holevas, and a brother, Gregory, of Baltimore, Maryland.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Friday by Sam Felton, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

Blanche B. McMillion

Mrs. Blanche Burr McMillion, 83, of Renick, died Sunday, April 18, 1993, in Greenbrier Manor Nursing Home, Fairlea.

Mrs. McMillion was born September 8, 1909, at Renick, to the late Matthew Walter and Madora Morrison Burr.

She was a lifelong resident of Renick and a homemaker. She was a member of Greenbrier County Farm Bureau, a member, pianist and song leader of Beulah Methodist Church for more than 50 years, and a member and past worthy matron of Order of Eastern Star No. 108 of Lewisburg.

A daughter, Janet V. Blake, preceded her in death in 1987.

Surviving are her husband, Bert W. McMillion; one son, Martin B. McMillion, of Christiansburg, Virginia; three daughters, Christine Johnston, of St. Louis, Missouri, Faye Howard, of Catharpin, Virginia, Sandra Hayes, of Christiansburg, Virginia; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren.

Services were at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday at Wallace and Wallace Funeral Home, Lewisburg. Burial was in Greenbrier Memorial Gardens, Lewisburg.

Roger Dale McMillion, Sr.

Roger Dale McMillion, Sr., 49, of Marlinton, died Sunday, March 13, 1994, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital of a heart attack.

Mr. McMillion was a carpenter.

Born March 31, 1944, Leonard Cordova Road, he was the son of Jessie James and Nannie Emma Williams McMillion.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a brother, Lawson Ray McMillion; and three sisters, Annalee DeLuca, Ruby Fowler, and Inez Galford.

Surviving him are two sons, Roger Dale McMillion, Jr., of Daytona Beach, Florida, and Richard Jessie McMillion, of Marlinton; a daughter, Mary Christine Lusk, of Green Bank; two brothers, Quincy Clayton McMillion, of Buckeye, and Lonnie Gray McMillion, of Droop; four sisters, Marshall Dessaree Lewis, of Williamsburg, Virginia, Dessie May Pritt, of Droop, Mary Frances Weaver, of Bel Air, Maryland, and Naomi June Alderman, of Buckeye; one grandchild, Cortney Ann Lusk.

Services were held at 2 p. m.

Okey McClain

Okey McClain, age 91, died Friday, December 3, 1993, at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center after a long illness.

He was a retired timber and sawmill worker and an auctioneer.

Mr. McClain was a member of Marvin Chapel United Methodist Church.

He was born March 13, 1902, at Walkerville.

His wife, Margaret Ann Scott, his parents, a brother and a sister preceded him in death.

Surviving him are three sons, Michael McClain, of Buckeye, Holly McClain, of Gainesville, Virginia, and Bill McClain, of St. Petersburg, Florida; a brother, Paul, of Webster Springs; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home by Pastor Jack Burks, with burial in the Ruckman Cemetery.

DEATHS

Elizabeth Price McLaughlin

Elizabeth Price McLaughlin, 91, of St. Petersburg, Florida, died Thursday, January 20, 1994, in St. Petersburg.

She taught school at Maxwelton and Hillsboro for 44 years before retiring. She attended Marshall University and graduated from Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee. She had resided in Florida the last thirty years and was a member of Pasadena Community Church.

Born in Hillsboro, she was the daughter of the late Lee P. and Julia Arbuckle McLaughlin.

Three brothers, Andrew, Alexander and Preston McLaughlin, preceded her in death.

She leaves a sister, Lynn Unger, of St. Petersburg, and several nieces and nephews.

Miss McLaughlin will be buried Saturday, January 29, at 11 a. m. at Clifton Presbyterian Church, Maxwelton.

Lucy Hill McNeel

Lucy Hill McNeel, age 84, died Wednesday, December 15, 1993, at her home at Hillsboro.

Mrs. McNeel was a member of Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church at Hillsboro.

She was born April 7, 1909, at Buckeye, the daughter of Everett and Nelia P. Gordon Hefner.

She was twice married, to Clinton H. Hill and George McNeel, both of whom preceded her in death. Also preceding her in death were a daughter, N. Rowena Pitzer; three brothers, Charley, Frank and Lanty Hefner; and two sisters, Eva Cox and Gertrude Long.

Surviving her are four sons, Marion E. Hill, Hillsboro, W. Harper Hill, Tacoma, Washington, Roy P. Hill, Granite City, Illinois, and Sherman Hill, Edgerton, Missouri; a daughter, Thelma H. Baker, of Stillwater, Oklahoma; step-children, Tom of Maryland, Carol Jean of Lewisburg, Judy of Maryland, and Annette, of Texas; three sisters, Anna Grimes and Betty Tenney, both of Akron, Ohio, and Virginia Workinger, of Clinton, Ohio; 19 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Friday at the Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church by the Rev. Roy Gwinn, with burial in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church.

Chester McLaughlin

Chester McLaughlin, 71, of Marlinton, died June 24, 1994, in his sleep at home.

He was a retired steel worker. He was a member and Elder of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church and an Elder and Deacon of Kuhn Memorial Presbyterian Church in Barboursville. He was a former Scoutmaster, a member of the Lion's Club, Masonic Lodge, Shriners, Order of Eastern Star, and the Pocahontas Promenaders Square Dance Club. He was a veteran of the United States Navy, serving in World War II.

The son of Elmer David and Ethel Edmonia Wilfong McLaughlin, he was born March 16, 1923, at Dunmore.

Preceding him in death were his parents; a sister, Decima Edmonia McLaughlin; five brothers, Basil, Azel, Rene, Cale, and Robert.

Surviving him are his wife, Rebecca Jackson McLaughlin; a daughter, Patty M. Burrows, of St. Petersburg Beach, Florida; a son, Douglas W. McLaughlin, of West Palm Beach, Florida; five grandchildren; a sister, Eleanor V. McLaughlin, of Huntersville; and a brother, Shad R. McLaughlin, of Marlinton.

Services were held at 11 a. m. Tuesday in the Marlinton Presbyterian Church by the Rev. Richard Newkirk and the Rev. Rhett Talbert, pastor of the Pasadena Presbyterian Church, St. Petersburg, Florida. Burial with Masonic Rites was in Mountain View Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Marlinton Presbyterian Church or Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

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Opal Grace McLaughlin

Opal Grace McLaughlin, 74, of Dunmore, died August 5, 1992, in Beckley Hospital after a long illness.

She was born at Dunmore September 15, 1917, the daughter of the late Jacob R. and Grace B. Scruggs McLaughlin.

Her parents, four brothers and a sister preceded her in death.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Dunmore United Methodist Church.

Surviving her is her twin sister, Edna M. Gragg, of Marlinton.

Services were held at 1 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Richard Newkirk, with burial in Dunmore Cemetery.

Obit

John McLaughlin

John Calvin Brown McLaughlin died Sunday, August 23, 1992, at The Cedars, Charlottesville, Virginia.

Born February 14, 1901, in Dunmore, he was the son of the late Henry Woods and Nelle Swan Brown McLaughlin. The only remaining of the nine children in the family is Virginia Tompkins McLaughlin, of Arlington, Virginia.

His wife of 51 years, Fanny Dargan McCaa McLaughlin, died in 1978.

Their three children are William Lowndes McLaughlin, of Washington, D. C., Margaret Price McLaughlin Grove, of Charlottesville, Virginia, and Addie Noble McLaughlin Ours, of Petersburg. There are seven grandchildren and a great-grandson.

Mr. McLaughlin served 40 years as a minister of the Presbyterian Church, at Stony Point, Tennessee, Laurel Hill, North Carolina, Jefferson County, Keyser, Central Virginia, and Rehoboth, Maryland. He was a fifth generation Presbyterian pastor. As a student minister he served at Buckeye and Marlinton, and came back each year for the fishing and hunting seasons, camping at the Duncan Rocks on the Greenbrier near Buckeye.

He twice was moderator of presbytery. He was a Mason and Rotarian, a member of the Izaak Walton League and Grange. Following his retirement to Charlottesville in 1967, he was active in community concerts and library work and golfing activities.

A memorial service was conducted at 11 a. m., August 28, Meadows Presbyterian Church by the Rev. David Smith. Graveside services followed at New Providence Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Raphine, Virginia, by the Rev. H. Middleton Raynal.

Memorial donations may be made to the Henry McLaughlin

Fleeta L. McIntosh

Fleeta L. McIntosh, age 73, of Marlinton, died Sunday, May 29, 1994, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Mrs. McIntosh was a retired waitress and a member of the Edray United Methodist Church.

Born at Edray October 12, 1920, she was the daughter of the late Edward Harvey and Daisy A. Rucker Robertson.

Preceding her in death were four sisters, Marguerite Slaboda, Ruth Rider, Imogene Dennison, and Mary Baxter; five brothers, Hunter, Homer, Joe, Harry and Frank Robertson.

Survivors include a son, Asa Barlow, of Marlinton; two sisters, Coty Sidwell, of South Zanesville, Ohio, and Nellie Davis, of Pensacola, Florida.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Leo McKenney

James Leo McKenney, 86, of Route 1, Marlinton, died Monday, June 27, 1994, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mr. McKenney was a farmer and a Methodist.

Born at Indian Draft September 10, 1907, he was the son of Voley and Lena Moore McKenney.

He was preceded in death by six brothers, Lawrence, Theodore, Ellis, Joe, John, and Sidney McKenney; three sisters, Ressie Endicott, Monte and Ethel; and one great-grandchild.

He is survived by his wife, Lottie Barnett McKenney; one daughter, Norma Sue Carpenter, of Woodbridge, Virginia; five sons, Hubert and Curtis McKenney, of Warren, Ohio, Dale McKenney, of Slatyfork, Bob and Sam McKenney, of Marlinton; a foster son, Don McKenney, of Marlinton; 16 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday afternoon in the Indian Draft Church by Sam Felton, with burial in the Indian Draft Cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital Building Fund.

William B. McCoy

William B. "Bill" McCoy, 88, of Huntersville, died Wednesday, February 24, 1993, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital following a long illness.

He was a retired mechanic.

He was born near Artamas, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1904, the son of the late William Basil and Alice Jane Hines McCoy.

He was preceded in death by four brothers and four sisters.

Graveside services were held at 1 p. m. Sunday in the Huntersville Cemetery by the Rev. Jay Hicks.

Lillie McClure

Lillie Frances Broyles McClure, 66, of Marlinton, died Thursday, March 4, 1993, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a short illness with cancer.

She was a member of the Marlinton Presbyterian Church.

The daughter of Grace Biggs Broyles, of Marlinton, and the late Andrew Broyles, she was born at Riverside December 23, 1926.

Her father and a daughter, Sally Ann, preceded her in death.

Surviving her, in addition to her mother, are her husband, Norman S. McClure; a son, Garry L. McClure, of Marlinton; a grandson, David McClure, of Marlinton; five brothers, Russell Broyles, of Newport News, Virginia, Robert (Bob) Broyles, Bernard Broyles and Larry Broyles, all of Marlinton; seven sisters, Marie Hannah, Oceana, Polly Dilley, Vine Grove, Kentucky, Peggy Landis, Pat Puffenbarger, Nancy Broyles, Barbara Broyles and Brenda Broyles, all of Marlinton.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Richard Newkirk and Vicar Lada Hardwick with burial in the Ruckman cemetery.

Kermit McKeever

Kermit McKeever, 85, of Charleston, died September 8, 1995, in Charleston after a long illness.

He was a graduate of West Virginia University and a member of Ruffner Memorial Presbyterian Church. He was superintendent of Watoga State Park from 1945 to 1948, when he became Chief of West Virginia State Parks System, a post he held until 1977.

Surviving him are a daughter, Charlotte Emswiler, Charleston; sister, Carol Gibbs, of Oxford, Pennsylvania; brothers, Vincent, of Havertown, Pennsylvania, Glen, of Ronceverte, Sturgis, of Statesboro, Georgia, Harold, of Elizabeth, Pennsylvania; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at Barlow-Bonsall Funeral Home in Charleston by the Rev. H. Thomas Elmore, with burial in Rosewood Cemetery, Lewisburg.

Mr. McKeever was the brother of the late Ray McKeever, of Hillsboro.

Emma Gertrude McCoy

Emma Gertrude McCoy, 67, of Hillsboro, died Friday, March 19, 1993, in Alleghany Regional Hospital, Low Moor, Virginia, after a long illness.

Born on Bruffey's Creek November 3, 1925, she was the daughter of the late Otto and Viola Sizemore Kinnison. She was also preceded in death by her husband, Hubert McCoy.

Mrs. McCoy was a member of the Mt. Zion Methodist Church and a retired cook for the Pocahontas County Board of Education.

Surviving: sons, James L. McCoy and Steven V. McCoy, both of Hillsboro, Donald E. McCoy, of White Sulphur Springs; sister, Lebeatrice Hodges, of Hillsboro; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, March 22, at 11:00 a.m. at the VanReenen Funeral Home with the Rev. Roy Gwinn officiating. Burial was in the Old Droop Cemetery, near Hillsboro.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Mount Zion United Methodist Church.

DEATHS

Helen McCloud

Mrs. Helen Holevas McCloud, 55, wife of James McCloud, of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, died Sunday, November 22, 1992, at the Pocono Medical Center of Cancer.

The body will be at the VanReenen Funeral Home Thursday evening, with visitation from 7 to 9. Funeral services will be at the Funeral Home at 2 p. m. Friday, with burial in the Fairview cemetery.

Mazie Hite McLaughlin

Mazie Hite McLaughlin, 98, of Dunmore, died Friday, October 2, 1992, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

She was a member of Baxter Presbyterian Church at Dunmore.

The daughter of Lee and Maggie Folks Hite, she was born November 1, 1893, in Highland County, Virginia.

Her husband, Lawrence, and three sons, Ralph, Lee and Cliff McLaughlin, preceded her in death.

Surviving her are two daughters, Lucille Landis, of Marlinton, Dolly McLaughlin, of Shalotte, North Carolina; a son, Neil McLaughlin, of Dunmore; 15 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Baxter Presbyterian Church by the Rev. David Bush and the Rev. David Rittenhouse, with burial in the Dunmore Cemetery.

DEATHS

Frances Duffey McNeill

Frances Duffy McNeill, 102, of Buckeye, Pocahontas County's oldest citizen, died Friday, March 18, 1994, in Nicholas County Health Care Center at Richwood.

She was a Presbyterian.

Born November 5, 1891, at Buckeye, she was the daughter of Matthew Wallace and Martha Ann Perkins McNeill.

She never married.

Preceding her in death were a brother, Thomas Rush McNeill, and a sister, Willie Watsy McNeill.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at VanReenen Funeral Home by the Rev. Richard Newkirk. Burial was in McNeill Cemetery at Buckeye.

Thelma L. Murray

Thelma L. Murray, age 91, of White Sulphur Springs, died Friday, February 20, 1998, at Pocahontas Continuous Care Center in Marlinton, following a long illness.

She was born in Frankford, on June 15, 1906, a daughter of the late William and Rena Alderman Loudermilk.

She was a member of Emmanuel United Methodist Church in White Sulphur Springs. She was a church organist and a Sunday School teacher for many years. She was also a member of the American Association for Retired Persons. She worked in the dental office of the late Dr. C.B. Collins in White Sulphur Springs for many years prior to her retirement.

She was preceded in death by three husbands, Mike Murray, E. B. Kirkpatrick and Burtis Murray; a brother, Melvin Loudermilk; and a sister, Loy Virginia Remley.

She is survived by a son, Donald W. Murray Sr., of White Sulphur Springs; a daughter, Mrs. Jo Ann Johnson, of Columbus, Ohio; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Ruth L. Marshall

A memorial service will be held at Mingo Presbyterian Church Sunday, October 4, at 2:30 p.m., by Rev. Tom Jackson for Ruth L. Marshall. A reception will follow in the church Sunday School Room. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Mingo Cemetery Fund, in care of Josephine Sharp, Valley Head, WV 26294, or Mingo Presbyterian Church, in care of Rosemary Swecker, Valley Head, WV 26294.

Lydia M. Metts

Lydia Marie Metts, 68, of Dayton, Ohio, died October 30, 1998, at the Hospice of Dayton.

Formerly of Marlinton, she was the daughter of John and Edna Mapes.

She was retired for several years as a certified dietary manager for the State of Ohio.

Survivors include one sister, Fran Mapes, of California; one brother, Warren Mapes, of Washington; two daughters, Carol McMillion, of Hillsboro, and Belinda Brotherton, of Medway, Ohio; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her husband, Blake Metts, preceded her in death.

Robert C. Magnuson

Robert C. Magnuson, age 39, of Randallstown, Maryland, formerly of Charleston, died February 6, 1998, in Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore after a short illness.

He was an administrative officer with the Hazardous and Solid Waste Management Administration of Maryland, a graduate of West Virginia University and he received his master's degree from the University of Colorado.

Surviving are his mother, Eleanor C. Glaser, of Palm Springs, California; his father, Robert E. Magnuson, of Snowshoe; and a sister, Ann Magnuson, of Los Angeles, California.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. The family asks that contributions be made to the Robert Carson Magnuson Fund, c/o Friends of Manassas National Battlefield Park, 12521 Lee Highway, Manassas, Virginia 20109 Lee Highway, Manassas, Virginia 20109.

Harold A. Miller

Harold A. Miller, age 68, of Tuscarawas, Ohio, died March 26, 1998 in his residence.

Born March 23, 1930, in Marlinton, he was a son of the late Cash R. and Louise Friel Miller. He retired from Greer Steel. He was a Navy veteran of World War II and a member of Tuscarawas VFW.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Wanda E. Miller, a son, a stepson and two brothers.

Surviving are one son, Jeffrey L. Miller, of Tuscarawas; two stepsons, Gerald L. McConnell, of New Philadelphia, Ohio, and Paul D. McConnell, of Fresno, Ohio; one stepdaughter, Lois Mazzoleni, of Dover, Ohio; two brothers, Bruce C., of Beach City, Ohio, and Arthur, of East Sparta, Ohio; one sister, Agatha Miller, of East Sparta; 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a.m. March 30, in Naylor Funeral Home at New Philadelphia with Reverend Harry Milligan. Burial was in Ridgecrest Memory Gardens.

Carl N. Morris

Carl Neal "Grump" Morris, age 62, of Stony Bottom, formerly of Parkersburg, died April 14, 1998, at his home after a long illness.

Mr. Morris was retired from DuPont Washington Works with 33 years of service. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, of Huntersville, and he served in the U.S. Marines from 1953 to 1956.

He was born September 13, 1935, in Parkersburg, the son of the late Albert and Leverta Mills Morris Stevens.

Surviving him are his wife, Peggy Buchanan Morris; sons, Dana and Jay Morris, of Parkersburg; daughter, Susan McNear, of Parkersburg; step-children, Brain Grogan, of Parkersburg, and Deborah Garrett, of Dover, Ohio; brothers, Wayne Morris, of Maxton, North Carolina, and Clair Morris, of Wilkesboro, North Carolina; six grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Arthur Stevens.

Service was held Thursday at Sunset Memorial Funeral Home by Reverend Wayne Morris.

Funeral services were held Saturday, at the Pine Grove Church of the Brethren, Arbovale, with the Revs. Wayne Morris and David Rittenhouse. Burial with military rites followed in the Stony Bottom Cemetery, Stony Bottom.

In lieu of flowers the family request that donations be sent to the Ronald McDonald House in Roanoke, Virginia, in memory of Carl Neal Morris.

Bertha Brackman Mick

Mrs. Bertha Brackman Mick, 94, of White Sulphur Springs, died Tuesday, March 7, 1995, at her residence following a short illness.

Born October 21, 1900, at Alvon, she was the daughter of the late George M. and Margaret Waggoner Brackman.

Mrs. Mick was a member of Alvon United Methodist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert Earl Mick, in 1973.

Survivors include daughters, Gladys Tallman, Dorothy Shinaberry and Joyce Mick, all of White Sulphur Springs.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. March 10, in the Chapel of Shanklin Funeral Home, White Sulphur Springs, with interment in Rosewood Cemetery, Lewisburg.

Bertha Brackman Mick

DEATHS

Barbara Benge Morris

Barbara Jean Waddell Benge Morris, age 56, of Hillsboro, died Thursday, October 15, 1998, in Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Morris was a seamstress and cook.

Born at Roaring River, North Carolina, on December 31, 1941, she was the daughter of Jessie Jane Poplin Waddell and the late William Grant Waddell.

Her husband, Clyde R. Benge, is deceased.

Surviving her are her mother, of Roaring River; two daughters, Rosalie Morris and Beth Aldridge, both of Hillsboro; a sister, Mary Elizabeth Pardue, of Lexington, North Carolina; two brothers, James Carlton Waddell, of North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and William Burton Waddell, of Sumter, South Carolina; and three grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at White Plains Baptist Church, Roaring River, by the Rev. Carlton Waddell, the Rev. John Foster, and the Rev. Jerry Gentry. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Memorial gifts may be made to Pocahontas Memorial Hospital.

Hubert Miller

Hubert Junior (Bud) Miller, age 71, of Appomattox, Virginia, died Friday, July 31, 1998, at Lynchburg General Hospital.

Born in Marlinton May 6, 1927, he was a son of the late Hubert Nelson and Goldie Rider Miller.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Miller; a daughter, Debra Mayberry; four sons, Bobby Miller, Danny Miller, Jeff Miller,

Scott Miller, all of Appomattox; six sisters, Eula Sosbee, of Orange, Virginia, Alberta Moyers, of Monterey, Virginia, Phyllis Waddell, of Valley Grove, Hilda Sharp, of Dunmore, Janie Deulley, of Colliers, and Carol Spade, of Marlinton; three brothers, Robert Miller, of Orange, Virginia, Carl Miller, of Fairfield, Virginia, and James Miller, of Spotsylvania, Virginia; ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by twin daughters, Jeanie Marie and Janie May.

Graveside services were held at 2 p. m. August 2 in the Liberty Cemetery at Appomattox by the Rev. Chris Caudle and the Rev. Earnie Lucas.

DEATHS

Rella May Moats

Rella May Moats, age 92, of East Dailey Community and for the past six months a resident of Elkins Regional Convalescent Center, died Tuesday, May 27th, 1997, in Davis Memorial Hospital.

Born December 8, 1904, at Boyer, she was a daughter of the late Charles and Emma Rader Phillips. She was the last surviving member of her immediate family.

On May 24, 1927, she was united in marriage to Arch Moats, who preceded her in death.

Surviving are two daughters, Helen Cromer, of Baltimore, Maryland, and Opal Hammonds, of East Dailey Community; five grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren.

Preceding her in death in addition to her husband and parents were one sister, Irma Ryder, and two brothers, Porter and Clarence Phillips.

She was a graduate of Green Bank High School, Class of 1926, and a Methodist.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Runner Chapel in Elkins at 11 a. m. Thursday by the Rev. Donald Fitzwater. Burial will follow at the Boyer Cemetery.

Alice B. Mills

Alice B. Mills, age 53, of Middletown, Virginia, died May 7, 1998, in Winchester Medical Center.

Mrs. Mills was born April 18, 1945, in Huntersville, the daughter of Denver and Dollie Bevel Underwood. She was an organizer of Against Child Abuse and was founder of Valarie's Echo in Middletown. She was a Real Estate Broker with Classic Realty.

She married Andrew "Buddy" Mills on September 15, 1961, in Huntersville.

Surviving is her husband; her mother, Dollie Bevel Underwood, of Huntersville; a daughter, Tamra Mills, of Stephens City, Virginia; seven sisters, Della Mae Fleury, of Ft. Washington, Maryland, Dortha Pearl Pyles, of Marlinton, Floretta Lee Gordon, of Stuart, Virginia, JoAnn McCoy, of Manassas, Virginia, Karen Sue Larson, of Marlinton, Rosemary Hofer, of Leesburg, Virginia, and Virginia Ann Dendy, of Fredericksburg, Virginia; three brothers, Grady Ray Underwood, of Afton, Virginia, Harmon Lewis Underwood, of Baltimore, Maryland, Louie Lee Underwood, of Harrisville; and two granddaughters.

Funeral service was held Saturday, May 9, at 11 a.m. at Jones Funeral Home Chapel, Stephens City, Virginia, with Dr. Ken A. Smith. Burial was in Beaver Creek Cemetery, Huntersville.

Marie S. Miller

Marie S. Miller, age 79, of Durbin, died Thursday, December 25, 1997, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital in Marlinton after a long illness.

Mrs. Miller was born July 18, 1918, in Highland County, Virginia, and was the daughter of the late William Franklin and Jessie Varner Simmons.

She attended the Presbyterian Church at Green Bank and was a member of the Rebekah Lodge of Durbin and the VFW Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Leo Walter Young, her parents, a sister, Dorothy Langlois, and two brothers, Paris and Leroy "Jake" Simmons.

She is survived by her husband, Charles D. Miller, of Franklin; three daughters, Joyce Mae Varner, of Durbin, Pauline Pappas, of Woodbridge, Virginia, and Mary Frances Crockett, of Laurel, Maryland; two sons, Robert Page Young, of Shelby, Montana, and William Young, of Boyer; sisters, Emma Grace Nottingham, of Durbin, and Margaret Ano, of Louisa, Virginia; and one brother, Walte Simmons, of Marlinton; 2 grandchildren; 19 great grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren.

Services were held Monday, December 29, 1997, at Wallace & Wallace Funeral Chapel in Arbovale, with burial in the Arbovale Cemetery.

David and Anita Mallow are proud to announce the birth of their second child, a daughter, Tyler Ann on June 2, 1998.

Tyler weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20 1/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Wayne and Nancy Liptrap, of Marlinton. Paternal grandparents are Don Mallow, of Belington, and Mary Tinney, of Buckhanon.

John and Melissa Mullenax are proud to announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Chelsea Elizabeth, born August 20, 1998, at Davis Memorial Hospital in Elkins.

Chelsea weighed 4 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 16 3/4 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Dennis and Kathy Cain, of Marlinton. Great-grandparents are Leo and Marie Cain, of Buckeye, and Emmett Biggs, of Marlinton.

Paternal grandparents are Willie Mullenax, of Arbovale, and Betty Green, of Florida. Great-grandparents are Viola Mullenax, of Arbovale, and Darlene Adams, of Florida.

DEATHS

Lucille O. Moomau

Lucille O. Moomau, age 94, died Monday, June 8, 1998, at the Sunnyside Retirement Community in Harrisonburg, Virginia, where she had been a resident since June of 1986.

She was born March 7, 1902, in Cass, and was the daughter of the late James W. and Annie G. Oliver.

She graduated from Green Bank High School in the class of 1920 and then attended West Virginia University and Marshall College. She taught school in Cass, Durbin, and Dunmore, and then served Pocahontas County as Assessor.

On August 22, 1923, she married Frederick William Moomau, who preceded her in death on June 7, 1955.

Following her husband's death, she moved to Gaithersburg, Maryland, where she served as a librarian on a bookmobile. She attended George Washington University and took classes in children's literature, during which time she compiled an Anthology of Poetry for Children. Following her retirement she moved to Petersburg.

Mrs. Moomau was a member of Liberty Presbyterian Church in Green Bank and then the Petersburg Presbyterian Church, where she was the church's oldest living member.

She was a 50-year member of the Order of the Eastern Star and a charter member of the Huntersville Chapter, where she served as Worthy Matron. She was also a member of Petersburg Chapter, twice served as Worthy Matron and represented the Grand Jurisdiction of West Virginia as a Grand Representative to the District of Columbia.

Memorial services will be conducted 11 a. m. Saturday, June 13, at the Petersburg Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow at 3 p. m. in the Arbovale Cemetery in Arbovale.

Memorial donations may be made to Sunnyside Retirement Community, 100 Sunnyside Drive, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801, or to a charity of choice.

DEATHS

Bobby Lee Myers, Sr.

Bobby Lee Myers, Sr., 58, of Elkview, died June 28, 1998, after an apparent heart attack as he was being evacuated from his home during heavy rain and a landslide behind his home.

He was a brother of Kathy Shearer, of Marlinton.

DEATH

**Virginia Frances
Rexrode Myles**

Virginia Frances Rexrode Myles, age 85, of Elkins, died April 30, 1998, at the Davis Memorial Hospital at Elkins. She had been in declining health for the past several years.

She was born on February 9, 1913, at Burner, the third child of the late Stanley J. and Eva Brill Rexrode, and grew up in Marlinton. On August 7, 1937, she was married to George A. Myles, who survives. Also surviving is her daughter, June B. Myles, Redding, Connecticut.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Edward Rexrode, and one sister, Naomi Holy.

Mrs. Myles attended Marlinton schools, graduated from West Virginia Wesleyan College, and pursued graduate studies at West Virginia University. She had taught school in both the Pocahontas and Fayette County School Systems.

She was a member of the Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church, where she had taught Sunday School, sung in the choir, and participated with the Women of the Church. She held office in the Greenbrier Presbytery, and was a member of the Circle #2 of the Presbyterian Women.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Monday at Davis Memorial Presbyterian Church at the Maplewood Cemetery at Elkins. The family suggests that expressions of sympathy be in the form of memorial contributions to the Virginia Rexrode Myles Scholarship Fund at West Virginia Wesleyan College, 59 College Avenue, Buckhannon, WV 26201, or a favorite charity.

Rita M. Mullens

Rita Mae Mullens, age 65, of Marlinton, died March 7, 1996, at Pocahontas Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

She was a member of Whites Chapel United Methodist Church at Woodrow.

Born June 14, 1930, at Elkins, she was the daughter of Washington McClellan Gainer and Nettie Gilmore Gainer.

Preceding her in death were her parents and two brothers, Harold Gainer and Chester Gainer.

Surviving are her husband, Kenneth H. Mullens; daughters, Kathy Jo Curry, of Saginaw, Michigan, Brenda Kaye Mullens, of Charleston; sons, Wayne, of Gonzales, Louisiana, Jake, of Palm Harbor, Florida, Brad, of North Bay, Ontario, Canada; sisters, Lillian Goode, of Akron, Ohio, Helen Simmons, of Weston, Valda Martin, of Jacksonville, Florida, Mary Jo Ross, of Sebastian, Florida, and Ruth Gainer, of Elkins; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday at Whites Chapel United Methodist Church by the Rev. Jay Hicks. Burial was in Whites Chapel Cemetery.

James P. and Suzy Meadows, of Lewisburg, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Ethan Michael Meadows, born March 21, 1998, at Raleigh General Hospital in Beckley.

He weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Jim and Helen Fleming, of Hillsboro.

Paternal grandparents are Preston and Shirley Meadows, of Hillsboro.

Ethan has twin sisters, Katie and Emily, age 7, at home.

Andrew Charles Myers, of Aurora, Preston County, would like to announce the birth of his sister, Linzi Danielle Myers. Linzi was born at 6:02 p.m., March 25, 1996, at Davis Memorial Hospital, Elkins, and weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces.

The proud parents are Diane and Charles Myers.

Maternal grandparents are Sandra Friel, of Buckeye, and Eddie Friel, of Buckeye.

Maternal great-grandparents are Iris Myers, of Aurora, and the late Charles Myers.

Maternal great-grandparents are Shirley Cromer, of Buckeye, and Ruth Friel, of Marlinton.

Ruth L. Marshall

Ruth L. Marshall, age 83, of Mingo, and recently of Elkins Regional Convalescent Center, died Sunday, September 13, 1998, in Davis Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Marshall was born April 21, 1915, in Grafton, a daughter of the late Ira H. Wilmoth and Mattie Mae Miller Wilmoth.

On October 19, 1932, she married Frank P. Marshall, who preceded her in death in 1989.

Mrs. Marshall was a homemaker and worked for many years for the Memorial General Hospital in Elkins. She was a member of the Mingo Presbyterian Church, Daughters of American Revolution, United States Daughters of 1812, Daughters of American Colonists, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, Valley Head Library Association and the Presbyterian Women's Associations. She was active in the Randolph County Democratic Party, served on various Mountain State Forest Festival Committees and was a 4-H leader.

Surviving are two sons, Adam J. Marshall, of Venice, Florida, and Mingo, and Herbert P. Marshall, of Huntington; three grandsons; three great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Kathryn Lee Marshall in 1935; a brother, Donald Wilmoth; two sisters, Ruby Dorsey and Dorothea Diggle.

At the request of the deceased

be interred at Mingo Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Mingo Cemetery Fund, in care of Josephine Sharp, Valley Head, WV 26294 or Mingo Presbyterian Church, in care of Rosemary Swecker, Valley Head, WV 26294.

Reona Berry Mitchell

Reona Berry Mitchell, 91, of Maryville, Tennessee, formerly of Marlinton, died May 10, 1998, in Asbury Acres Retirement Home.

She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband, C. S. Mitchell, and one son, Clair.

Survivors include one son, Reid Mitchell, of Marlinton, and a daughter, Buena Rankin, of Maryville, Tennessee; 9 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Viewing will be held Thursday, May 14, from 5 until 7 p.m.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday May 15, at Vincent Funeral Home, in Jane Lew. Burial will be at Masonic Cemetery, in Good Hope.

Shirley G. Means

Shirley G. Means, of Glen Burnie, Maryland, died April 20, 1996, after a long illness.

Born August 23, 1920, she was a daughter of Forest and May Symes Underwood, of Beaver Creek.

She was married to Brenton (Dock) Means, and the mother of Donald R. of Beaver Creek, Gary M., Phyllis L., Wayne M. and Daniel H., of Maryland; grandmother of three and great-grandmother of two; three sisters, Nora Perkins, of Beaver Creek, Mabel Miller, of Willowick, Ohio, and Ola Redding, of Willoughby, Ohio.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Brenton; parents; one brother, Oliver M. and one sister, Edna M. Phillips.

Burial was in Maryland.

Katharine J. Mortimer**John H. Mortimer**

Katharine J. Mortimer, 50, and John H. Mortimer, 54, both of Marlinton, died Thursday, May 8, at home.

She was born September 3, 1946, in Camden, New Jersey, the daughter of George Hoffman, of Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey, and Edith Hoffman, of Pinehill, New Jersey.

He was born September 25, 1942, in Camden, the son of Julie Willis, of Pinehill, and the late John Mortimer.

Survivors in addition to their parents are, sons John, Pat and Tim, all of Morgantown; daughter Dawn, of Morgantown; three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at McCulla Funeral Home in Westover with the Rev. T. Patrick Kerr.

BIRTHS

Mike and Karen Murphy are proud to announce the birth of their twin daughters, Michelle Rae and Melissa Sarah, born February 4, 1998, at Ruby Memorial Hospital in Morgantown.

Maternal grandparents are Carolyn Phillips, of Boyer, and the late George Phillips.

Paternal grandparents are Frank and Susie Murphy, of Boyer.

Charles and Tresha Cassell are proud to announce the birth of their nephew, Adam Tyler Via, on February 4, 1998, at the Ohio Valley Medical Center in Wheeling.

Adam weighed seven pounds, 15 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long.

He is the grandson of Janice and Jackson Via, of Clover Lick.

BIRTHS

Rick, Tiffany and Tanner are proud to announce the birth of their son and brother, Ryan Anthony Moore. Ryan was born June 22, 1998, at 12:30 p.m. at Davis Memorial Hospital, Elkins. He weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces, and was 20 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Rudy DePompa, of Castaic, California, and the late Connie DePompa. Great-grandparents are Anthony and Rosemary DePompa, of California.

Paternal grandparents are Richard E. Moore, of Jumping Branch, and the late Judy Sheets Moore.

Paternal great-grandmother is Lucy C. Moore, of Marlinton. Great-great-grandmother is Mary Alice Moore, of Marlinton.

Mason May, Jr.

Mason M. "Red" May, Jr., age 74, of Middletown, Ohio, died Thursday, June 26, at home.

He was the widower of Earlene Conrad May.

He retired as a lineman from the former Bell Telephone Company; was an Army veteran of World War II; and was a member of Riverside Chapel and Wesley United Methodist Church, Middletown.

Surviving him are a daughter, Patty Coble, of Middletown; two brothers, Orval May, of Willowick, Ohio, and Thomas May, of Marlinton; two granddaughters.

Services were held Monday in Riverside Chapel by the Rev. James L. Williams. Burial was in Hillsdale Cemetery, Londonderry Township.